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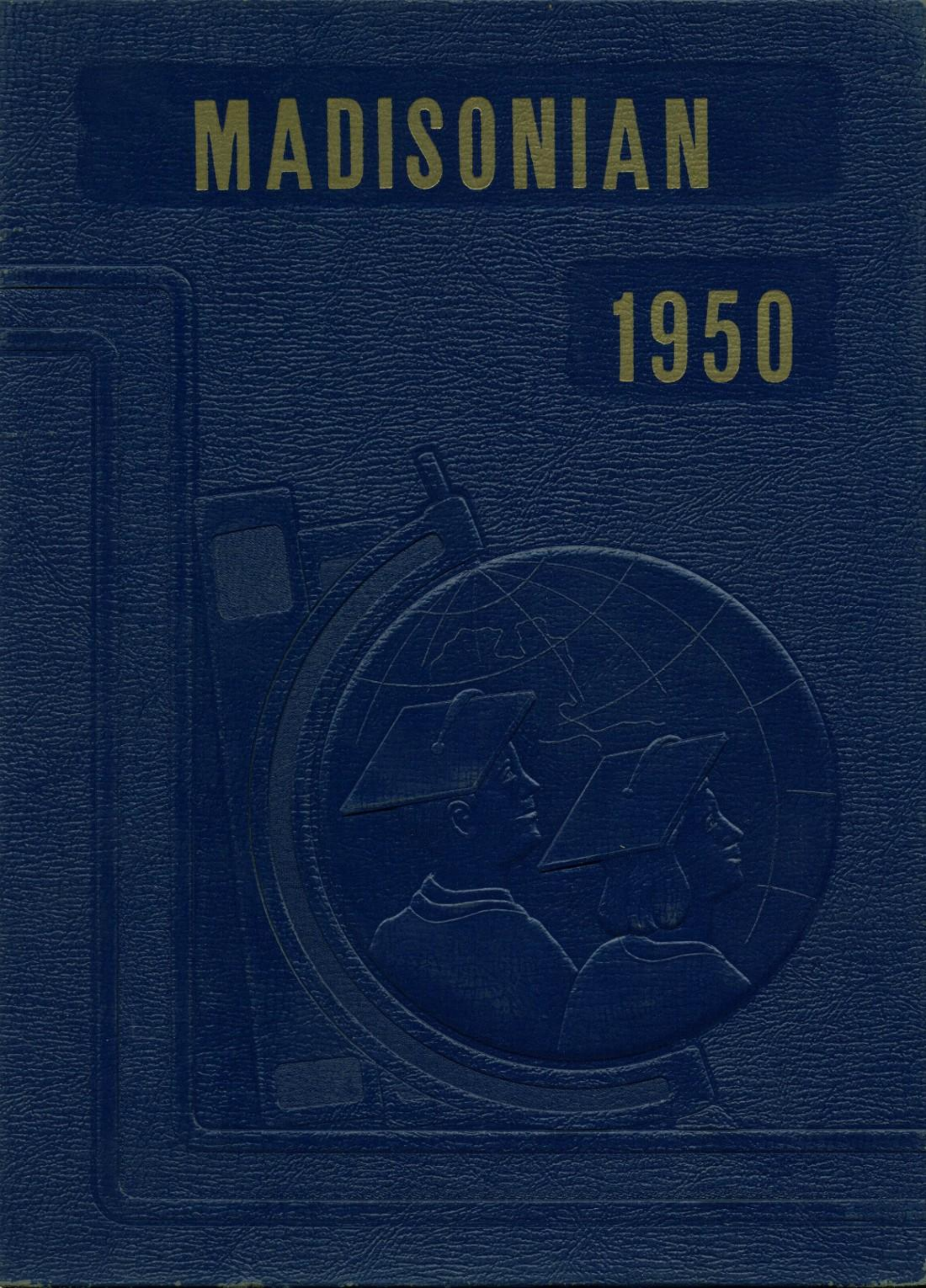

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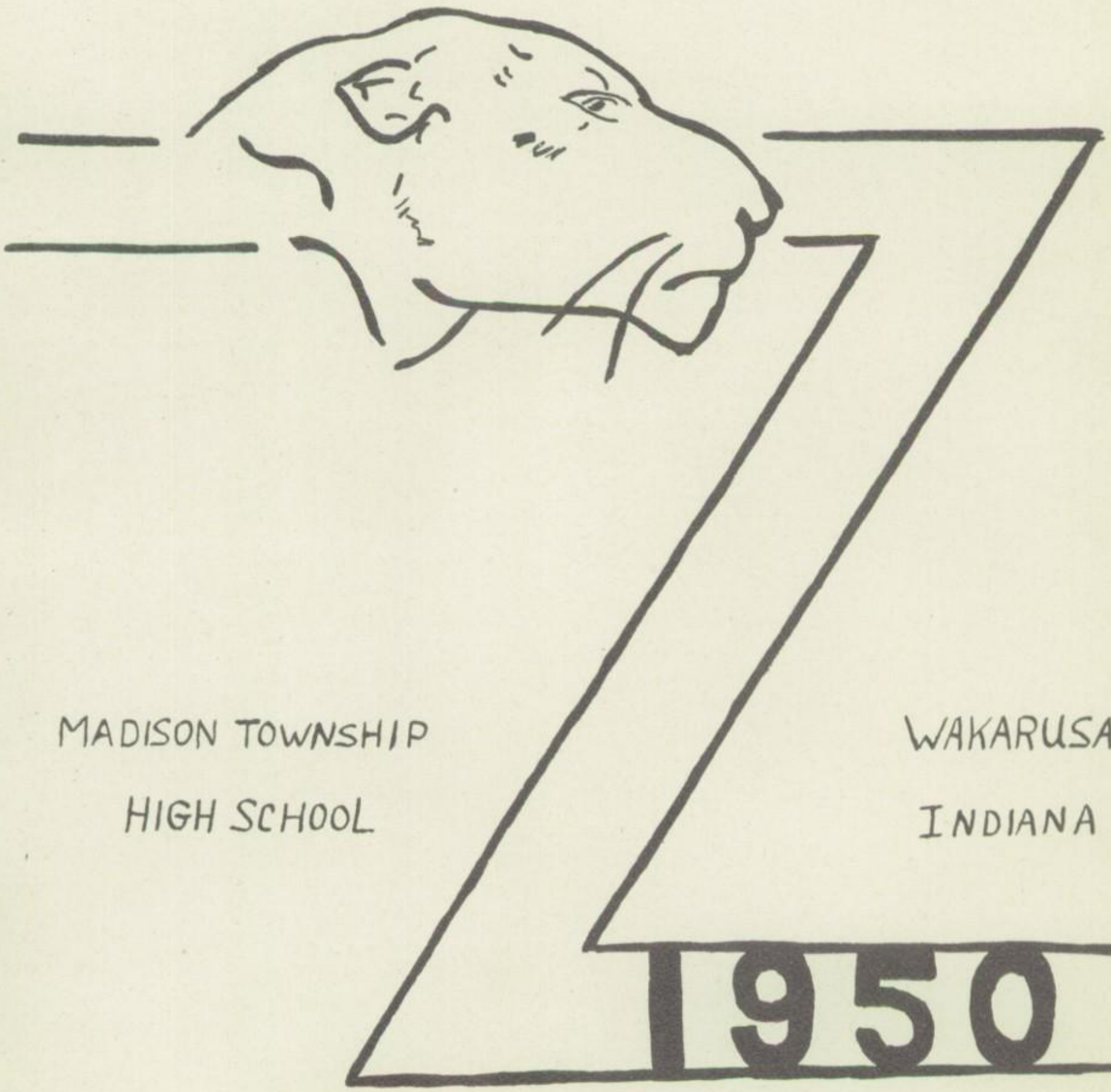

MADISON TOWNSHIP

HIGH SCHOOL

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1950

Dedication

So proudly we hail Mr. Lewis Bendit, a man who patiently and faithfully served this community by leading scores of our youth on the road of learning, understanding, and tolerance. For forty years he faithfully rendered his services in the teaching profession and has been an example to all who have noted his courageous spirit. We sincerely appreciate his efforts and to Mr. Bendit we humbly dedicate this, our MADISONIAN.

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Administration

Helen Scott, school clerk, takes dictation from Mr. Eshelman, our principal, who keeps Madison in smooth running order.

THE BOARD, MR. ESHELMAN'S ADVISORS, ARE LEFT TO RIGHT: MR. JARIUS LOUCKS, MR. CLEM MOCHEL, MR. JOHN MOTTICE AND THE TRUSTEE, MR. C. V. HALL, SEATED.

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Faculty

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Social Studies.

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Physical Education.

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English.

MR. ESHELMAN
Geography.

MRS. HASLANGER
English.

MR. HOREIN
Music.

MR. HOREIN
Mathematics.

MR. KINTZEL
Agriculture.

MR. MARKER
Physical Education.

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Home Economics.

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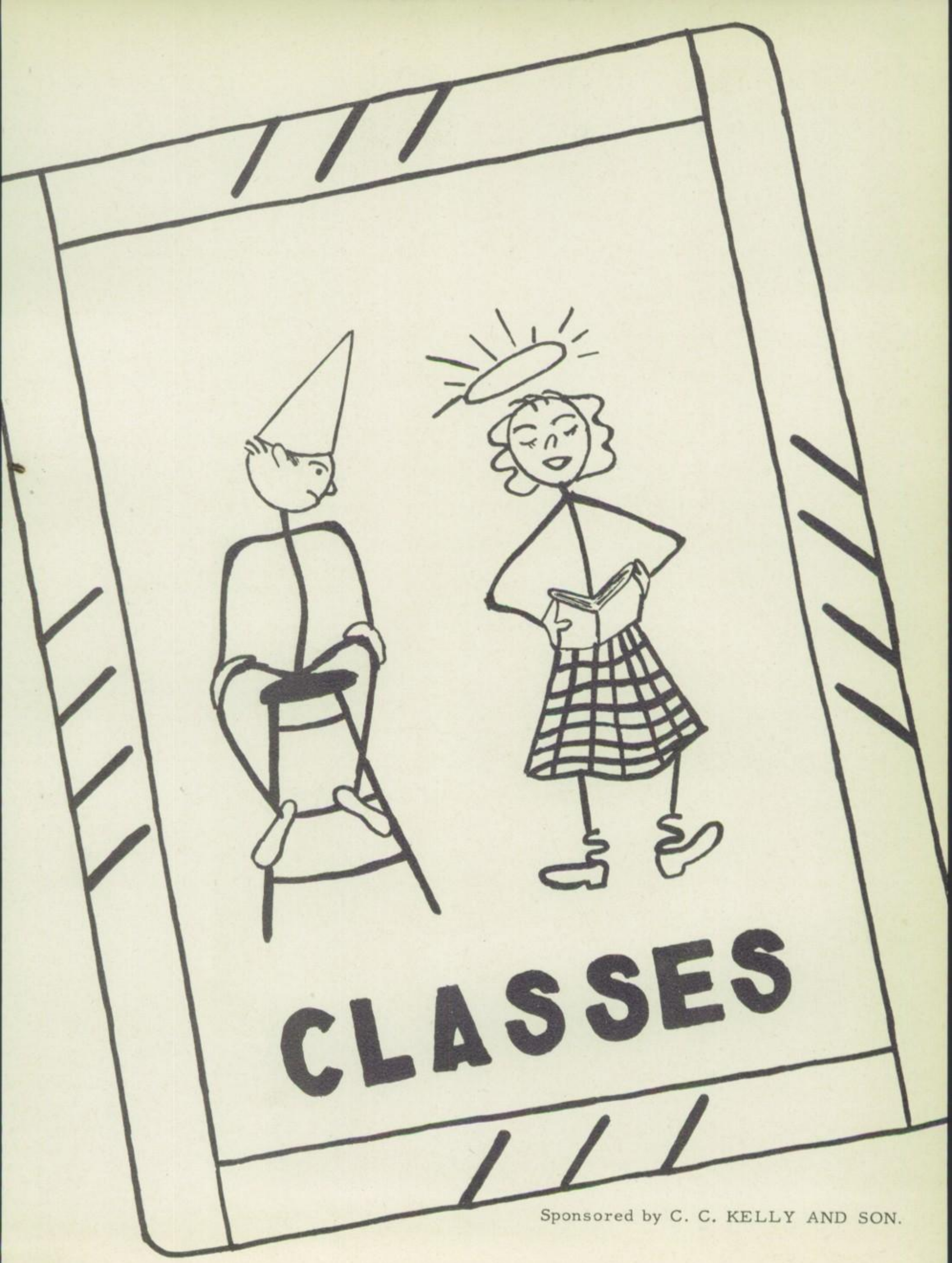

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Class History

To help us through our first year we chose Thelma Kline as our student leader. Joe Wagner, Donna Hill, and Richard Bricker assisted her. Our journey came to an abrupt stop on September 29. This was the freshman initiation. Our first party was a hay ride which started at Jim Schmeltzer's and ended at Joan Trowbridge's where we had a chili supper. Later another hay ride was held at Eugene's. The last event during that year was a party at the school.

In the sophomore year we chose Joe as president, Duane as vice-president, Donna as secretary, and Richard as treasurer. Activities during this year were a hay ride at Duane's, a skating party at Osceola, and a party at the school.

As jaunty juniors, we were very busy. Leading us were Joe, president; Eugene, vice-president; secretary, Betty and treasurer, Richard. On October 28 and 29 our dramatic talent took wings and presented "The Adorable Imp". It was directed by Mrs. Haslanger. Magazines were sold, and Eugene proved himself to be the best salesman. During Christmas vacation we had a sledding party at Donna Hill's. The final party of the year was held at the school with the sophomore class.

The year of years found us with twenty-eight in our class. Once again Joe reigned and Eugene, Donna, and Ted assisted him. We had a dance at the Hillside in October and a bake sale at Wyatt in November. During Christmas vacation we again went to Donna's for a party. Commencing the final events was the class play, "Hobgoblin House," which was presented in April. Then came the junior-senior prom on April 22. Baccalaureate on May 14 was followed by graduation on May 15. Climaxing our high school days was the senior trip to Niagara Falls via Detroit. We returned home looking forward to an adventurous future.

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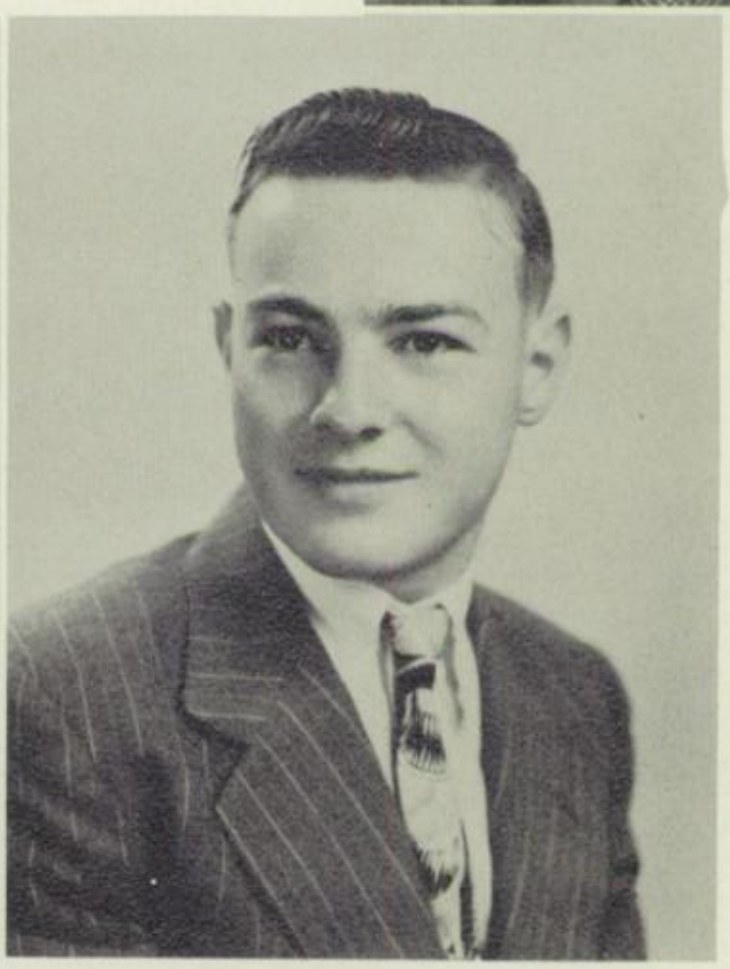
Seniors

JOSEPH WAGNER

CLASS PRESIDENT 2,3,4; HI-Y 1,2, SECRETARY 4; 4-H 1,2,3,4; F.F.A 3; BASKETBALL 1,2,3,4; TRACK 2,3,4; SOFTBALL 4; MADISONIAN 4.

EUGENE SCHUTZ

CLASS VICE-PRESIDENT 3,4; HI-Y 2,3; CHAPLAIN 4; F.F.A. 3,4; 4-H 1,2,3,4; BASKETBALL 1,2; MANAGER 3,4.



THEODORE JAMES

CLASS TREASURER 4; BASKETBALL 1, 2,3,4; HI-Y 3,4; 4-H 1,2,3,4; SOFTBALL 2,3,4; TRACK 2,3; F.F.A. 3,4; MADISONIAN 3; SPOTLIGHT 4; "ADORABLE IMP" 3.

DONNA HILL

CLASS SECRETARY 1,2,4; G.A.A. 1,2, VICE-PRESIDENT 3, PRESIDENT 4; MADISONIAN 3,4; "ADORABLE IMP" 3.

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MARTHA ADAMS

F.H.A. 4; MADISONIAN 4; "ADORABLE IMP" 3.

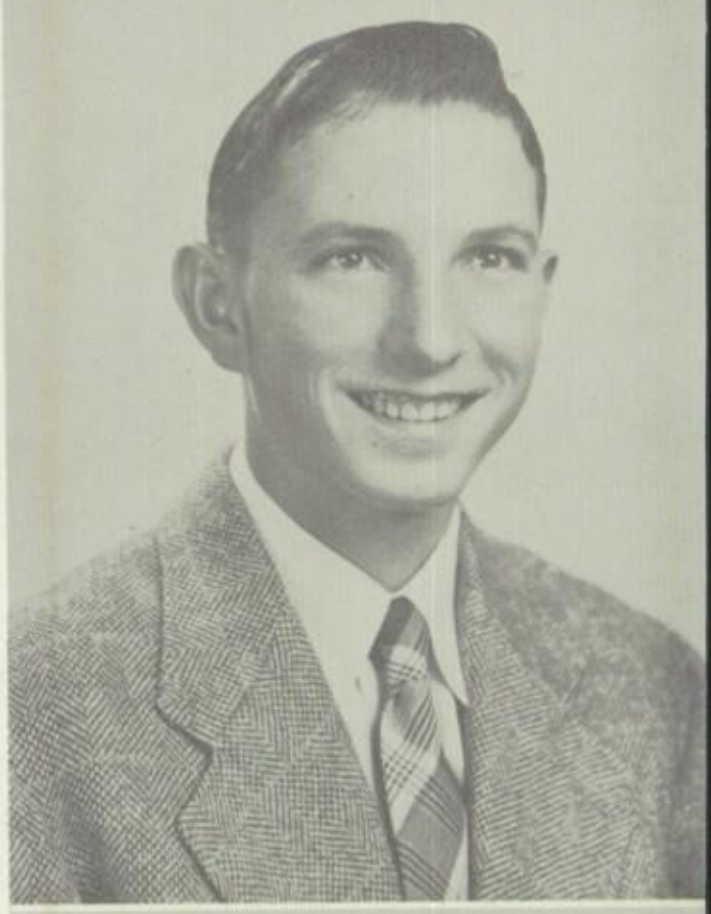
CARL BEUTEL

4-H 1,2; F.F.A. 4.

DORIS ANTHONY

Y-TEENS 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3; SPOTLIGHT 4.

FRED BEUTEL

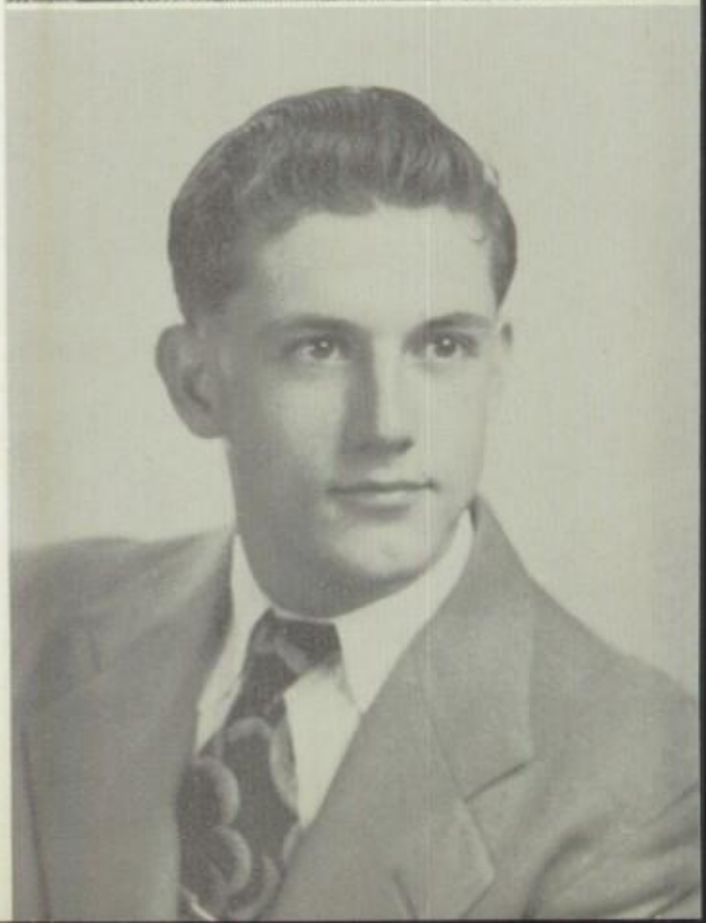


MARDELL ANTHONY

G.A.A. 1,2, TREASURER 3; F.H.A. REPORTER 4; 4-H PRESIDENT 1,2; SPOTLIGHT 4; Y-TEENS 2,3,4; PROM CHAIRMAN 3; BOYS 4-H 2.

RICHARD BRICKER

4-H 1,2,3; BAND 1,2,3,4; "ADORABLE IMP" 3; TRACK 1,2,3,4; BASEBALL 4; CLASS TREASURER 2,3.



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WILBUR CHRISTMAN

HI-Y 3,4.

JOHN FEHR

4-H 1,2,3,4; F.F A. 1,2,3,4; SOFTBALL 3,4; TRACK 1,2,3,4; MADISONIAN 4; BASKETBALL 1,2,3,4; "THE ADORABLE IMP" 3; BREMEN HIGH SCHOOL 2.

DELORES CONRAD

4-H 1,2,3; Y-TEENS 1,2,3; BAND 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2; "SPOTLIGHT" 4; MADISONIAN 4.

ESTHER FRICK

4-H 1,2; Y-TEENS 4; "SPOTLIGHT" 4; G.A.A. 1.

GERALDINE DIES

CHORUS 3,4; Y-TEENS 3,4.

ARLENE GEYER

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; BAND 2,3,4; 4-H 1,2,3,4; "SPOTLIGHT" 4; MADISONIAN 3,4.

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BETTY GOSTOLA

Y-Teens 2,3,4; G.A.A. 2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Boys 4-H 1,2,3,4, Secretary; Girls 1,2,3,4; "The Adorable Imp" 3; Class Secretary 3; F.H.A. Vice President 4; Mishawaka High School 2; "Spotlight" 4.

DEVON KOBOLD

Hi-Y 3,4; 4-H 1,2; Basketball 3,4.

SHELIA IRELAND

Y-Teens 3,4; Chorus 4; "Spotlight" 4.

DUANE LAIDIG

Basketball 3,4; Softball 3,4; Hi-Y 2,3, Vice President 4, President; 4-H 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3; Track 2,3; Class Vice President 2.

ROLAND KLEIN

F.F.A. 2,3,4, President; 4-H 1,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Softball 3,4; Track 2,3,4; "The Adorable Imp" 3.

CECELIA MONHAUT

MADISONIAN 3, Editor 4; Chorus 1,2, 3,4; Y-Teens 2,3,4, President; G.A.A. 1,2; 4-H 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. President 4; "The Adorable Imp" 3.

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NORMA REIDENBACH

4-H 2; Y-TEENS 4; "SPOTLIGHT" 4.

NANCY STUBER

Y-TEENS 2,3,4; F.H.A. 4; "SPOTLIGHT" 4; "THE ADORABLE IMP" 3.

DEVON SCHROCK

4-H 1; "THE ADORABLE IMP" 3.

ROMA WYMAN

CHORUS 1,2,3,4; G.A A. 1,2; ANNUAL 4; "SPOTLIGHT" 4; Y-TEENS 2,3,4; 4-H 2; F.H.A. 4.

CLARENCE STUBER

HI-Y 3,4; 4-H 1.

PHYLLIS YOUNG

Y-TEENS 4; G.A.A. 1,2; "SPOTLIGHT STAFF" 4.

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Class Will

We, the senior class of 1950, being sound in body and mind realize that our time of departure from this Institution of Learning is at hand and do hereby present our last will and testament:

I, Martha Adams, will my locker to anyone with a mouse trap and a door.
I, Doris Anthony, will my job as mimeograph operator to anyone capable of doing it.
I, Mardell Anthony, will my "Kissproof" lipstick to Doris Winger.
I, Carl Beutel, will my nick name "Chucker" to any faculty member in need of one.
I, Fredrick Beutel, will my black hair to Marie Meyers.
I, Richard Bricker, will my "A" model to the Bremen Junk Yard.
I, Wilbur Christman, will my check marks and one "A" in speech to any junior needing them.
I, Delores Conrad, will my art ability to Opal Fries.
I, Geraldine Dies, will my love for typing to Janet Marker.
I, John Fehr, will my public speaking career to Martha Hepler--use big words Martha.
I, Esther Frick, will my height to Ann Lambert.
I, Arlene Geyer, will my place in the marching band to my brother Jimmie.
I, Betty Gostola, will my cheerfulness and friendly smile to any gloomy gus.
I, Donna Hill, will my job taking care of the first six grades to any junior who is a Hercules.
I, Shelia Ireland, will my ability to giggle to Donna Barkey.
I, Ted James, will my muscles and seat on the basketball bench to Chuck Battles.
I, Roland, will my wavy hair to Joyce Weigel.
I, Devon Kobold, will my Ford to anyone who owns an oil company.
I, Duane Laidig, bequeath my big feet to Marilyn Von Gruenigen.
I, Cecelia Monhaut, will my executive ability to David Sherk.
I, Norma Reidenbach, will my nickname "Shorty" to Maynard Hoover.
I, Devon Schrock, will my love for the "ladies" to Eldon Fredricks.
I, Eugene Schutz, bequeath my love for square dancing to Ruth Hill.
I, Clarence Stuber, will my ability to steer away from girls to Junior Gostola.
I, Nancy Stuber, will my quiet footsteps to Dannie Robinson.
I, Joe Wagner, will my butch haircut to Devon Snyder.
I, Roma Wyman, will my ability to keep Oak Grove in existence to Betty Pittman.
I, Phyllis Young, will my quietness to Dorothy Schlarb.
In witness thereof we hereunto set our hands in seal.

Signed: SENIOR CLASS OF '50

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Class Prophecy

May 30, 1960

Dear Shelia,

Ten years have come and gone since we were together as a class at Madison. After much reminiscing, I decided that a brief account of your classmates might shed some sunlight your way. Doing missionary work in Japan doesn't sound too cheerful to me.

Some time ago it was my most honored privilege to act as Mistress of Ceremonies at one of Madison Township's distinguished organizations of social seeking women of today, The Order of Married Women--No. 6.

The program began with a gracious rendition of the "Piano Concerto in B#" by the now famous musician Mrs. Vincal Gervucnbeci, the former Arlene Geyer.

We were then led in singing "Auld Lang Syne" by the soprano soloist, Mrs. J. S. Choker, (Esther Frick).

It was then my privilege to introduce the guest speaker, Mr. T. J. James. Mr. James has proven quite successful in the field of novelistic work. This field has been quite an asset to the James family since he can supply his own reading material. He reviewed his latest pocket novel, Jesse James, My Uncle.

To everyone's dismay the program was bluntly interruped by a zealous saleswoman of mousetraps. (Martha Adams)

As the program came to a close, one of the most startling events occurred when the former Betty Gostola was stricken with an exaspirating attack of cat fobia. Immediately we summoned Dr. D. J. Schrock, who is practicing medicine in Madison Center. Cecelia Monhaut serves as his nurse.

Then occasion arose to thank the R-C-A Modern Printing Co. For their fine submission of programs and decorations. This firm is composed of some of our own '50 graduates. Doris Anthony holds the position of feature editor; Delores Conrad is now art editor; and Norma Reidenbach is private secretary to the editor-in-chief, Devon Kobold.

The program was closed with a prayer by the Rev. E. L. Schutz, pastor of the Snookerville Reformed Church.

Couples attending the program were Mr. and Mrs. (Mardell Anthony) Wilbur Christman, Mr. and Mrs. (Phyllis Young) Roland Klein, Mr. and Mrs. (Geraldine Dies) Duane Laidig, Mr. and Mrs. (Nancy Stuber) Richard Bricker, and Mr. and Mrs. (Betty Gostola) Joe Wagner. Mr. and Mrs. (Donna Hill) John Fehr's absence was due to illness in the family.

Mr. C. A. Stuber, Mr. F. A. Beutel, and Mr. C. J. Beutel united to enter the doorway to fortune with their newly established manufacturing firm in Jonesville.

Well, Shelia I will close now for it is almost dinner time, but I certainly am proud of our 1950 graduating class. Aren't you?

Your '50 graduating mate,
Roma Wyman

P. S. Mrs. Haslanger and Mr. Birk have retired. Yes, they played a large part in our success.

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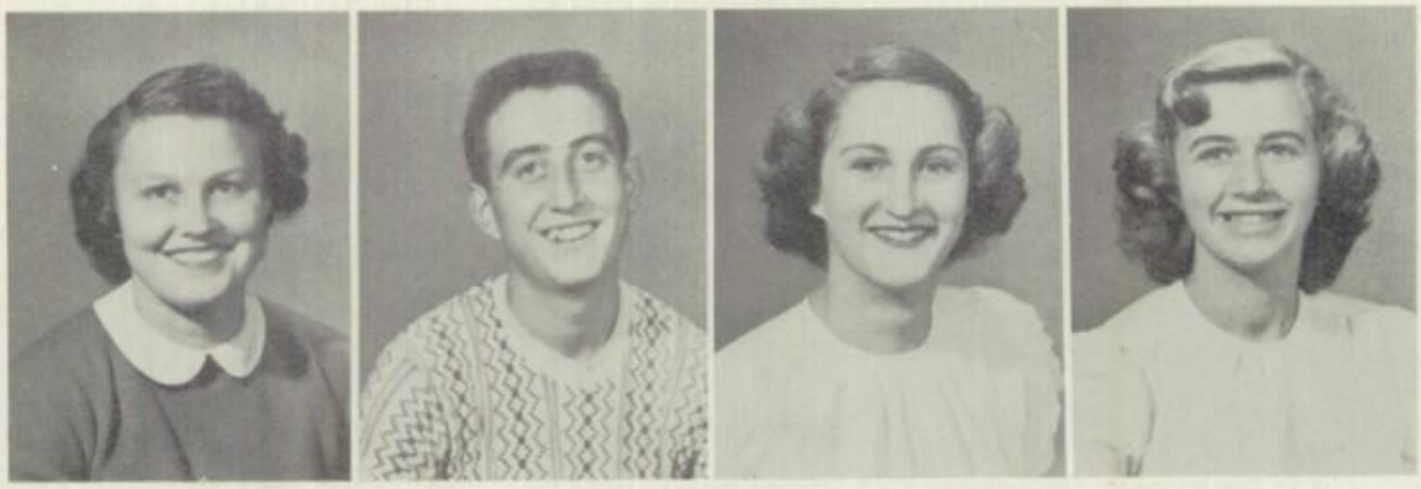

Romaine Frick
PRESIDENT

Wayne Beehler
VICE-PRESIDENT

Cecilia Richard
SECRETARY

Juliet Ritschard
TREASURER

Juniors

Thirty-six juniors met in Room 13 with their sponsors, Mrs. Robinson and Mr. Marker, on September 7. The following officers were chosen to guide the class through this important year: president, Romaine Frick; vice-president, Wayne Beehler; secretary, Cecilia Richard; and treasurer, Juliet Ritschard.

The magazine sale ended October 14 with a record breaking sale. A party was given by the losing team for the winners November 10 at school.

On October 23 and 24 a three-act comedy, "Strictly Formal," was presented under the direction of Mrs. Haslanger.

April 22 was the date chosen for the junior prom with Helen Severns serving as chairman of the affair.

Betty Barden
Donna Barkey
Wayne Beutler
Martin Crofoot

George Englehardt
Opal Fries
Anna Getha
Ann Lambert

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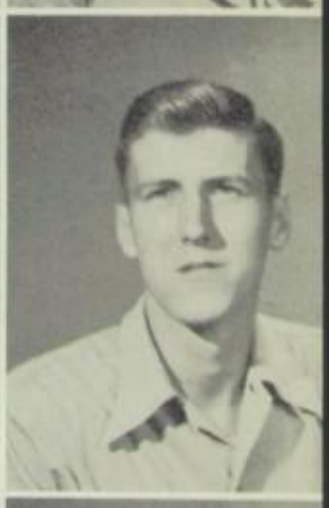
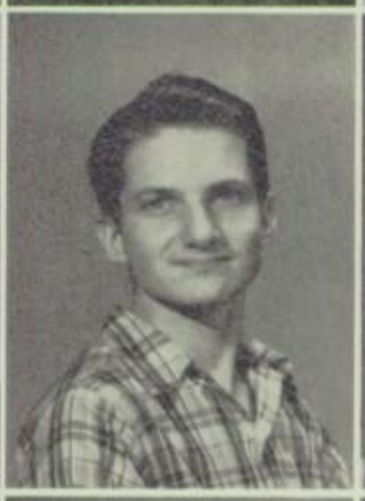
Rosemary Manges
Janet Marker
Naomi Miles
James Myers

Marie Myers
Geraldine Null
Betty Jean Pittman
Daniel Robinson



Patricia Robinson
Donald Schlarb
Dorothy Schlarb
Mildred Selner

Helen Severns
Carol Sherk
David Shirk
Thelma Smeltzer



Jack Troxel
Carl Veevaete
Evelyn Veevaete
Marilyn Von Gruenigen

Patricia Weaver
Shirley Weigel
Dorothy Woods
Margaret Zahner

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Marvin Pittman
PRESIDENT

James Davidhizer
VICE-PRESIDENT

Ruth Hill
SECRETARY

Jack Schmeltz
TREASURER

Sophomores

Forty-eight sophomores started their second year in high school. Marvin Pittman was elected leader of the class and James Davidhizer his assistant. Ruth Hill held the secretarial position and James Schmeltz had charge of the funds.

A party in November was the first activity. On December 23 a Christmas party was held.

Patricia Abbiehl
Lloyd Andrews
Robert Barden
Charles Battles

Doris Berkey
Ann Birk
Carl Birk
Shirley Birk

Augusta Bokhart
Genevieve Boocher
Mary Alice Coddens
Donald Conrad

Robert DeSchepper
Charles Fox
Eldon Fredericks
Richard Getz

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Dale Hesch

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Lois Klein
Mary Kobold

Burnett La Vine
Gene Manges
James Mason
Mary Newhouse

Dorothy Schlemmer
Robert Schmeltz
Jack Schmeltz
Lowell Schrock

Marlene Sloss
Elsie Stewart
Kenneth Stewart
Wanda Stuber

Wilda Swarm
Joan Truex
Elizabeth Wagner
Theron Weldy

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Harold Zeltwanger
PRESIDENT

James Rhoade
VICE-PRESIDENT

Jane Schurr
SECRETARY

Elaine Fredericks
TREASURER

Freshmen

It was September of 1949 when forty-six eager teen-agers started on a four-year journey toward their goal--graduation. Mr. Crutchfield and Mr. Kintzel were our sponsors; and Harold Zeltwanger was chosen as president, Jane Schurr as secretary, and Elaine Fredericks as treasurer. The highlight of the freshman year was the traditional initiation which was followed by two parties at school.

Gloria Andrews
Gertrude Beehler
Shirley Billman
Mary Bokhart

Barbara Bope
Bonnie Christman
Esther Conrad
Richard Ermeti

Arthur Fehr
Carol Gall
William Getha
Miriam Geyer

Margaret Gostola
Martha Hepler
Joan Hesch
Leona Holly

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Maynard Hoover
Richard Kimmel
Shirley Knox
Nada Kulazar

Dwight Laidig
John Lambert
Stanley Letherman
Suzane Loucks

Nancy Marker
Nila Marker
Betty Mason
Dale Mochel

James Mochel
Nancy McGowen
Annette Richard
Lee Saltsgiver

Doris Schmeltz
Billy Schutz
Edward Sheets
Berneice Smeltzer

Devon Snyder
Byron Steinbaugh
Louis Swarm
Joyce Weigel
Doris Winger

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Bremen

Eighth Grade

FIRST ROW: Alidor Bonnie, Roland Jordan, Kenton Zeiger, Richard Geyer, Louis Frick, Eugene Carrico, Jerry Stevens, Arthur Newhouse. SECOND ROW: Margo Christman, Mary Gilman, Dixie Kelley, Nancy Flickinger, Erle Hunsberger, Ronold Kline, Nancy Penrod, Lois Manges. THIRD ROW: Dortha Holley, Sandra Butge, Clodean Sherk, Mary Smith, Marlene Dahl, Edna Miller, Albert Schutz, Arthur Noel, Mr. Mouros. FOURTH ROW: Maynard Marburger, James Pittman, John Derksen, Treva LaVine, RuDee Marker, Daniel Kamp. FIFTH ROW: Dorlan Weiss, Elizabeth Englehardt, James Haines, Wendell Yoder, Lester Manges, Alma Abbiehl.

Seventh Grade

FIRST ROW: Darwin Enders, Mary Carbiener, Joan Monhaut, John Jones, Carolyn Severns, Lois Barkey, Nancy Selner. SECOND ROW: Marlene Fredricks, Phyllis Ulrich, Dale Pittman, Ronald Schmalkuche, Carl Englehardt, James Sauer, Eunice Fredricks, Mr. Schurr. THIRD ROW: Nancy Weigel, Mathilda Pittman, Carolyn Gilmer, Delores Andrews, Mary Lou Rhoade, Helen Fehr, Carol Abbiehl, Mary Lou Stuber. FOURTH ROW: Harvey Steward, Craig Kintzel, Donald Roush, Calvin Marker, Roger Lee Pittman, Arthur Moser, Charles Bope, Roger Richard, DeVere Andrews.

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Sixth Grade

FIRST ROW: Dale Birk, Terry Horein, Theodore Derksen, Robert Carrico, Dale Mikel, Eugene Ulrich, Frederick Geyer, Marvin Huston. SECOND ROW: Thelma Fritz, Verna Gall, Judith Fetsch, Georgia Smith, Lucretia Holley, Dorothy Suter, Shirley Knoblock, Mrs. Martin. THIRD ROW: Juanita Weber, Shirley Wisler, Ruth Englehardt, Ruth Mary Boland, George Keck, Terry Schmalkuche. FOURTH ROW: Nancy Davidhizer, Mary Ellen Kamp, Robert Englehardt, Virginia Getha, Gerald Clark, Wayne Yoder.

FIRST ROW: Lewis Whitehead, Russell Bope, Rex Horein, Edmond Verzele, Jacob Pittman, Lynn Watson, Wayne Grove, Jerry Oberly, Larry Penrod. SECOND ROW: Mary Zeiger, Beverly Prohoska, Beverly Metzger, Linda Clark, Hazel Jones, Nancy Pittman, Sara Truex, Carolyn Schlarb, Eunice Carrico, Linda Marker. THIRD ROW: James Blondia, Nancy Stevens, Susan Hunsberger, Lavern Meister, Lorrence Zeiger, Elnora Besinger, Virginia Hensler, Janet Abbiehl, Mr. Fox. FOURTH ROW: Anna Stewart, Michael Shewchuk, Gerald Kline, David Schermier, Phyllis Frick, Marie Engelhardt, Wilma Miller. FIFTH ROW: Janice Squires, Carol Conrad, Gayle Zentz, Raymond Kline, Norma Buzzard, Raymond Zeiger, Dale Pittman.

Fifth Grade

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Fourth Grade

FIRST ROW: Robert Schweisberger, Bruce Gilman, Michael Reum, Keith Bellman, Roy Bellman, Alan Battles, Arthur Schmeltz, Larry Null, Fred Horn. SECOND ROW: Patsy Kelley, Verna Mae Zahner, Charlene Johnson, Joyce Cowen, Merrylin Priest, Marcella Miller, Jane Smith, Nancy Eshelman. THIRD ROW: Sonja Gall, Darlene Anthony, Rosalie Troxel, Larry Hesch, Barry Sellers, Bruce Rogers, Mrs. Beehler. FOURTH ROW: Patrick Monhaut, Eddie Tassnacht, Shirley Roeder, Leroy Wisler, Mary Lou Getha, Larry Flickinger.

Third Grade

FIRST ROW: Randy Weldy, Ronald Metzger, Roger Holmes, Thomas Schlarb, Richard Birk, Jerry Rhoades, Gene Geyer, Larry Wisler. SECOND ROW: Lenora Meister, Janice Oster, Judy Martin, Katherine Zeiger, Ruth Weber, Donna Hensler, Gloria Fredericks. THIRD ROW: Phyllis Hahn, Judy Kay Schmalkuche, Peggy Hesch, Christopher Boland, Charles Ulrich, Erma Andrews, Betty Stewart, Mrs. Eshelman. FOURTH ROW: Roger Yoder, Nancy Wisler, Larry Beehler, James Enders, David Enders, Philip Carrico, Terry Fuchs.

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Second Grade

FIRST ROW: Norman Weber, Larry Fisher, Dickie Jordan, Charles Fritz, Jerry Fuchs, Paul Robinson, Lynn Becher, Jerry Bope, Roger Kline, Redgy Bellman, Eugene Stevens. SECOND ROW: Donald Nettrour, Patty Beehler, Darlene Reum, Hal Whitehead, Frances Miller, Charles Selner, Julianne Fredericks, Melvin Stewart, John Saxton, Janet Van De Keere, Mrs. Stickel. THIRD ROW: Ruth Ann Squires, Connie Grise, Sara J. Engelhardt, Gerry Lou Cowen, Judy Horein, Kathryn Felton, Phyllis Hiatt, Barbara Schrader, Phyllis Roush, Billy Andrews. FOURTH ROW: Carol Anderson, Bradley Kline, Ronald Davidhizar, Minnie Roeder, Frank Besinger, Doris Buzzard, Judy Stickel, Dennis Haslanger. NOT PICTURED: Gay Sellers.

FIRST ROW: George Van De Keere, Freddie Anderson, Donald Nickel, Cleon Felton, Larry Pittman, Dick Schmeltz, Gene Klein, Roger Mikel, Eldon Marker, Jimmy Pittman. SECOND ROW: Edith Smeltzer, Norma Schutz, Arthur Sisk, Judy De Leddere, Leon Verhaegbe, Shirley Curther, Terry Wisler, Don Horein, LeRoy Roeder, Miss Eppley. THIRD ROW: Marvin Manges, Carol Ann Hartman, Sharon Bricker, Irene Geyer, Mary Jane Sauer, Kay Ann Loucks, Jo Ann Schlarb, Marilyn Ulrich, Carol Moser, Carolynn Vantine. FOURTH ROW: Norma Jean Enders, Jerry Beehler, Karen Kintzel, Rollin Newcomer, Julius Snyder, Mary Abbiehl, Danny Marburger, Dickie Besinger, Dean Williams. NOT PICTURED: Douglas Traub.

First Grade

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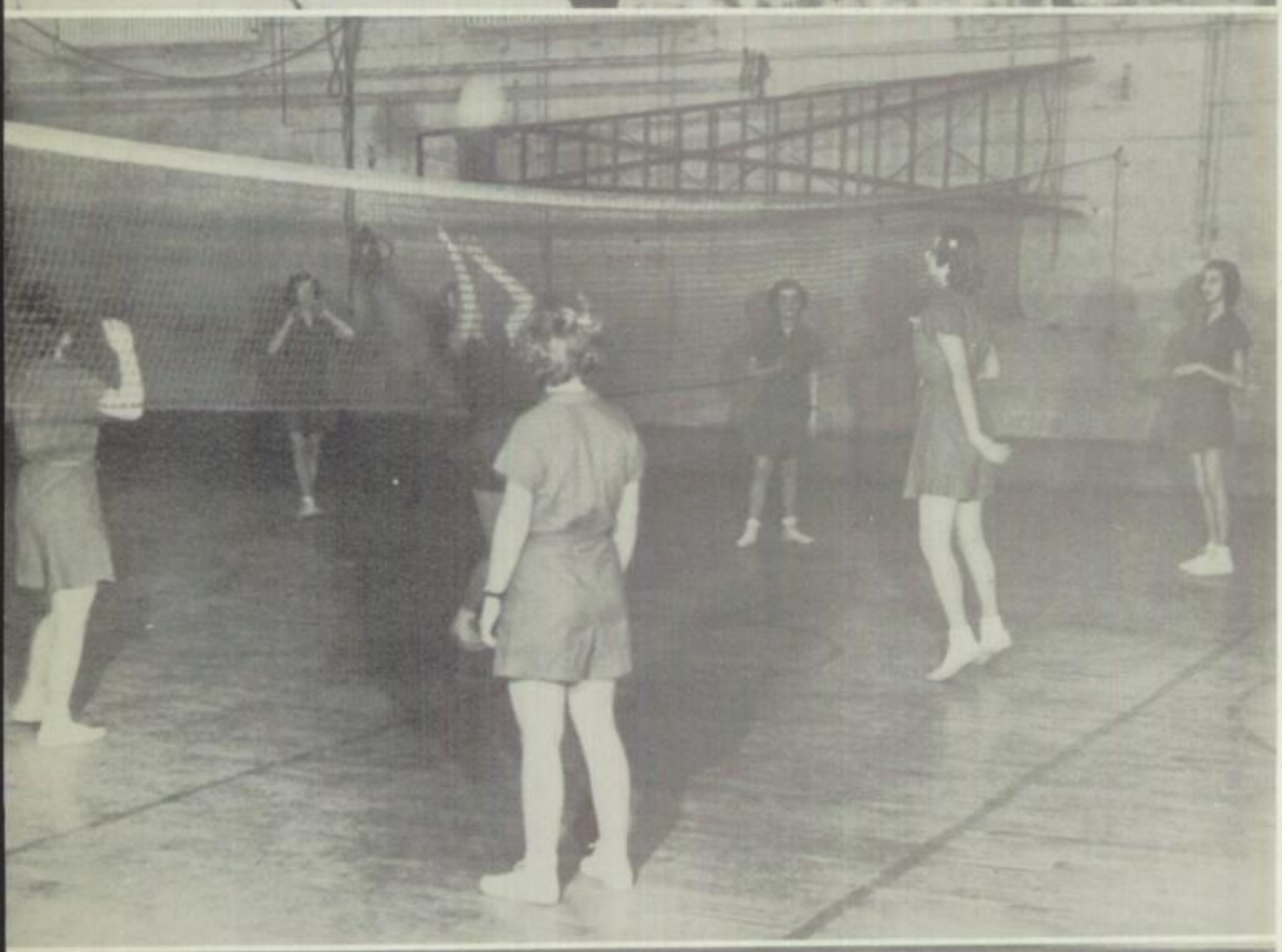

Behind the Scenes

Mrs. Marker smiling serves while Mrs. Meeks cashiers in the cafeteria.

Over the net in volley-ball class.

Future artists from the fifth and sixth grades.

Caught relaxing--Mr. Clark, Mrs. Kessler, and Mr. Kessler.

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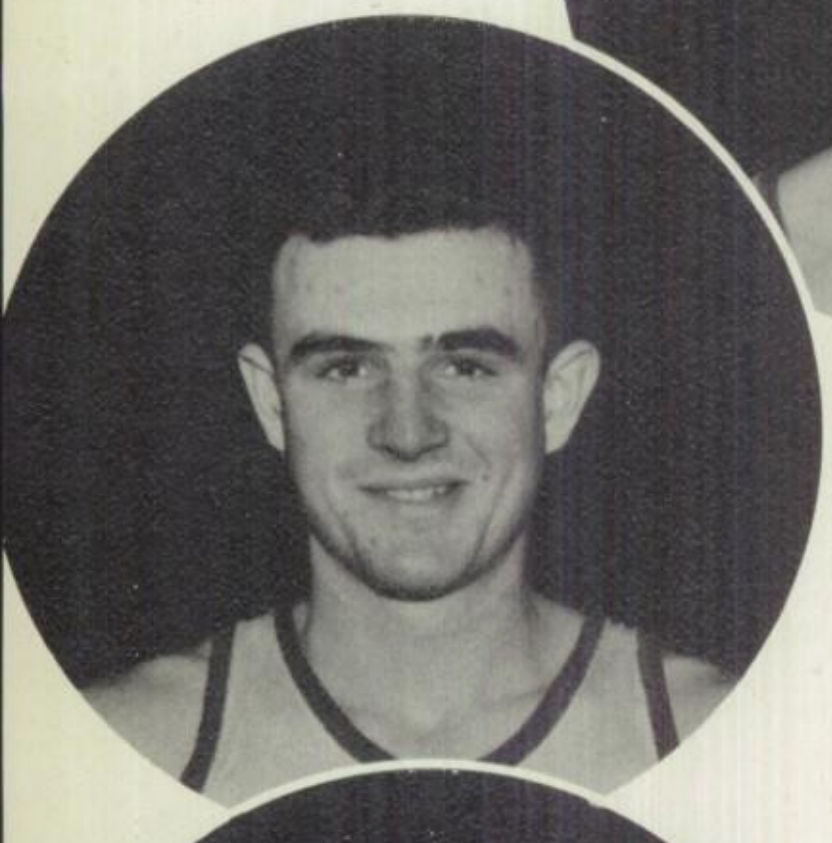
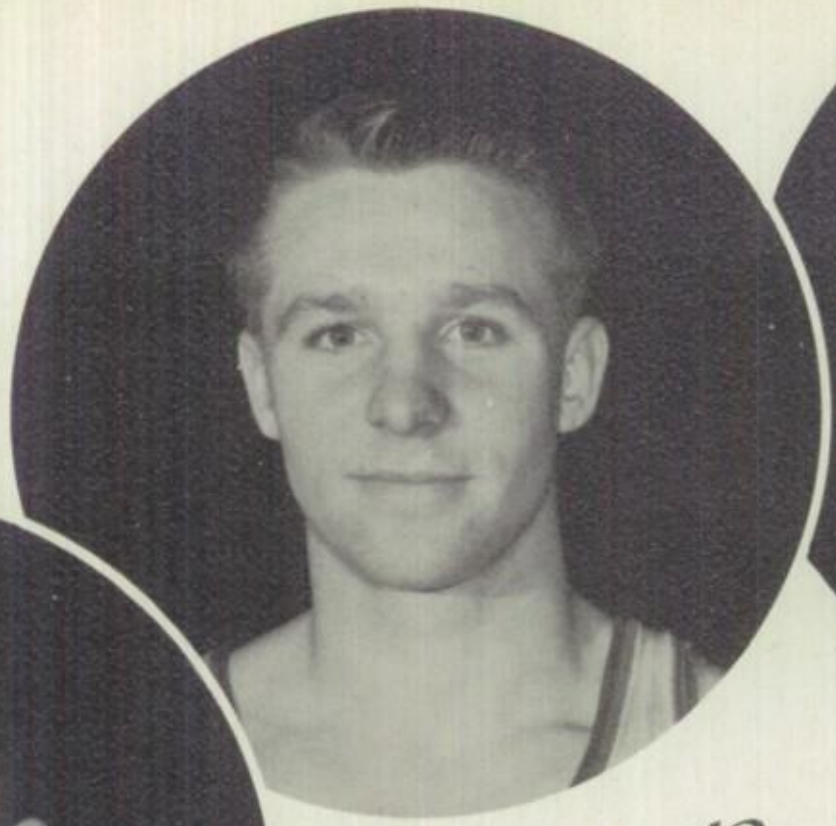
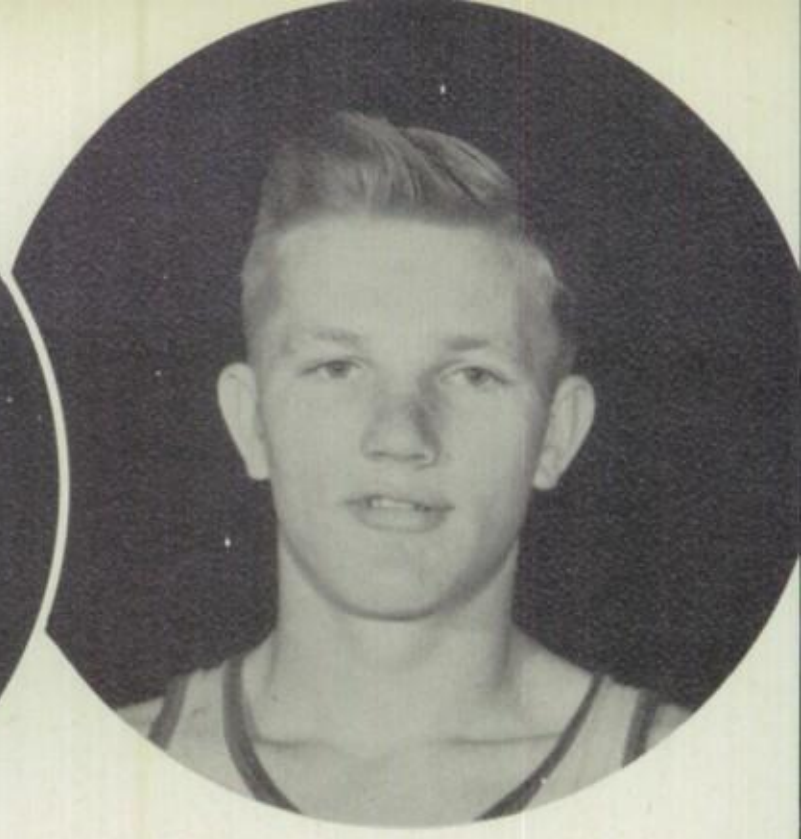
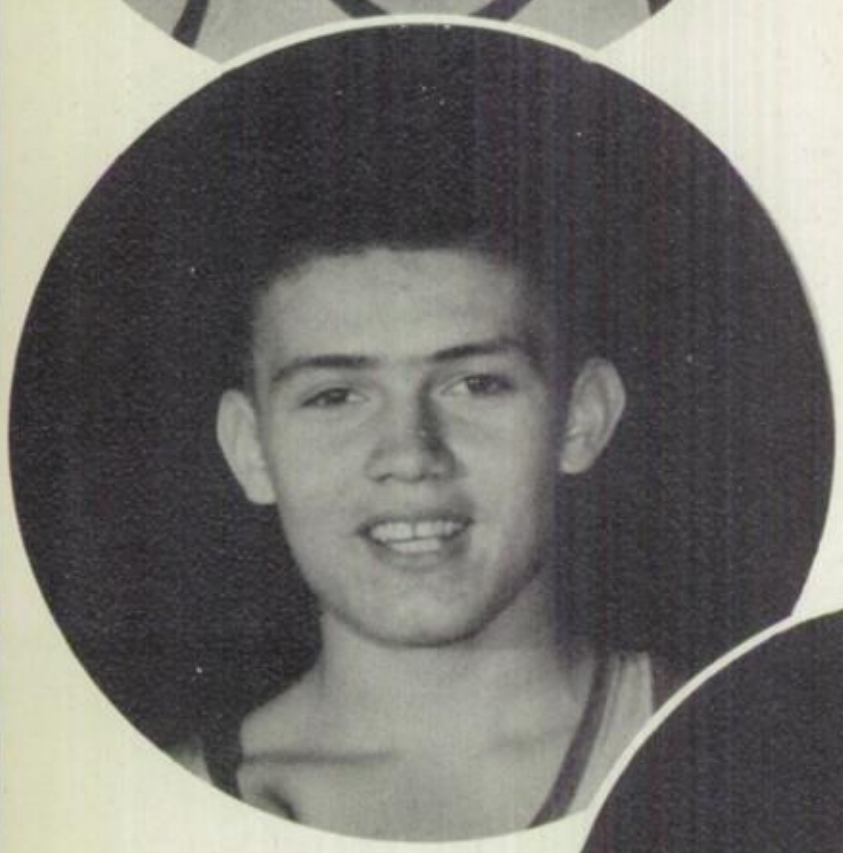






Basketball

Madison	41	North Liberty	30
Madison	43	New Carlisle	58
Madison	40	Lakeville	29
Madison	41	Washington Clay	56
Madison	26	Washington S. B.	45
Madison	58	Bremen	48
Madison	28	Wakarusa	35
Madison	55	Nappanee	49
Madison	63	North Liberty	41
Madison	47	Lakeville	41
Madison	57	Greene	36
Madison	52	Walkerton	44



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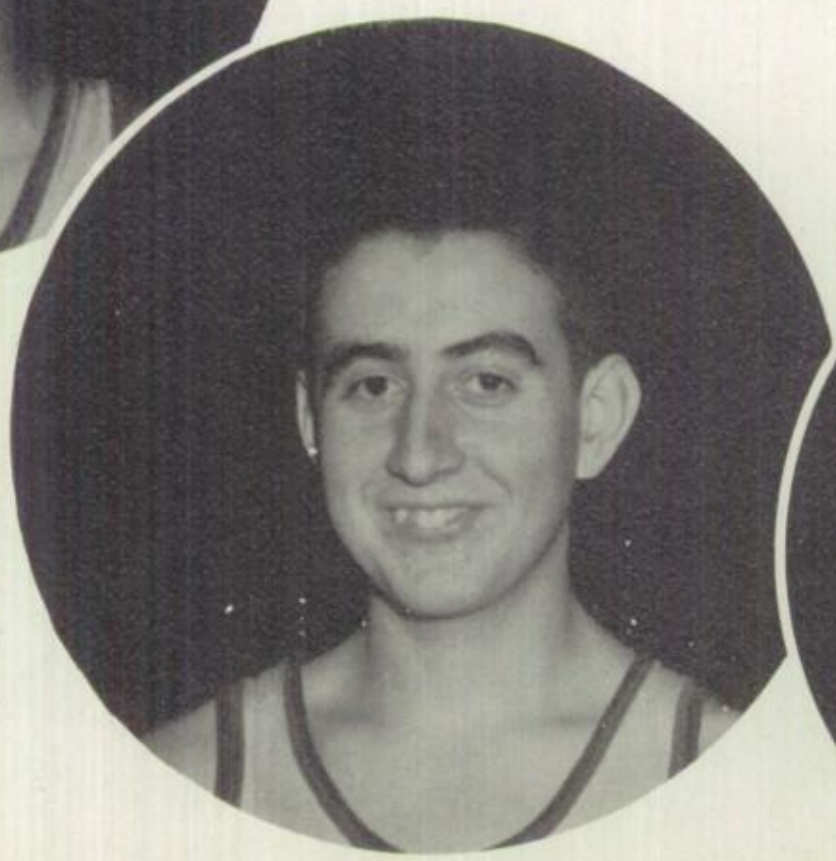

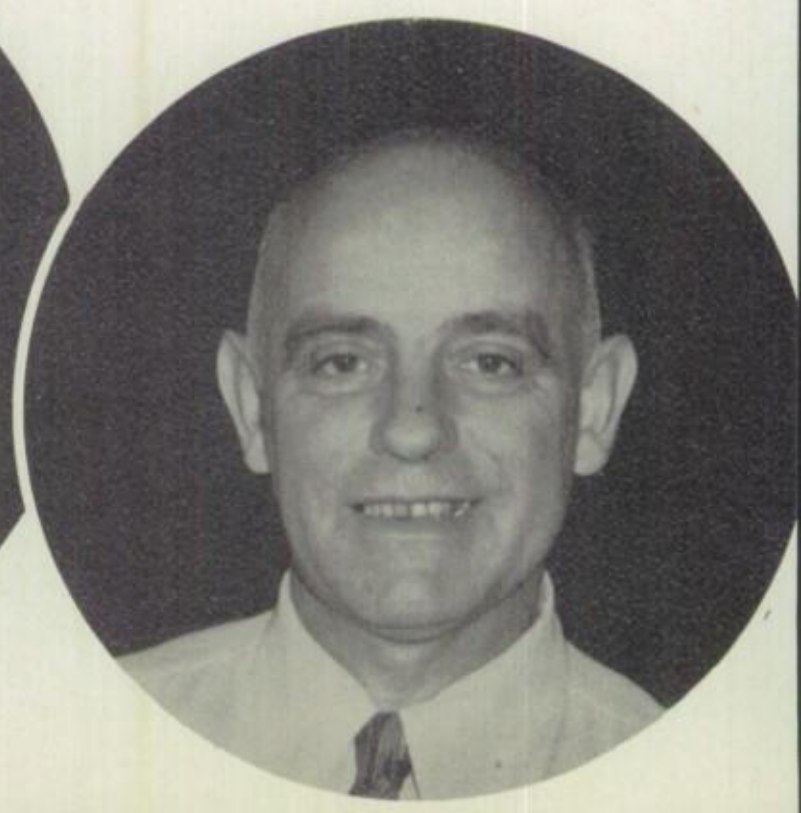

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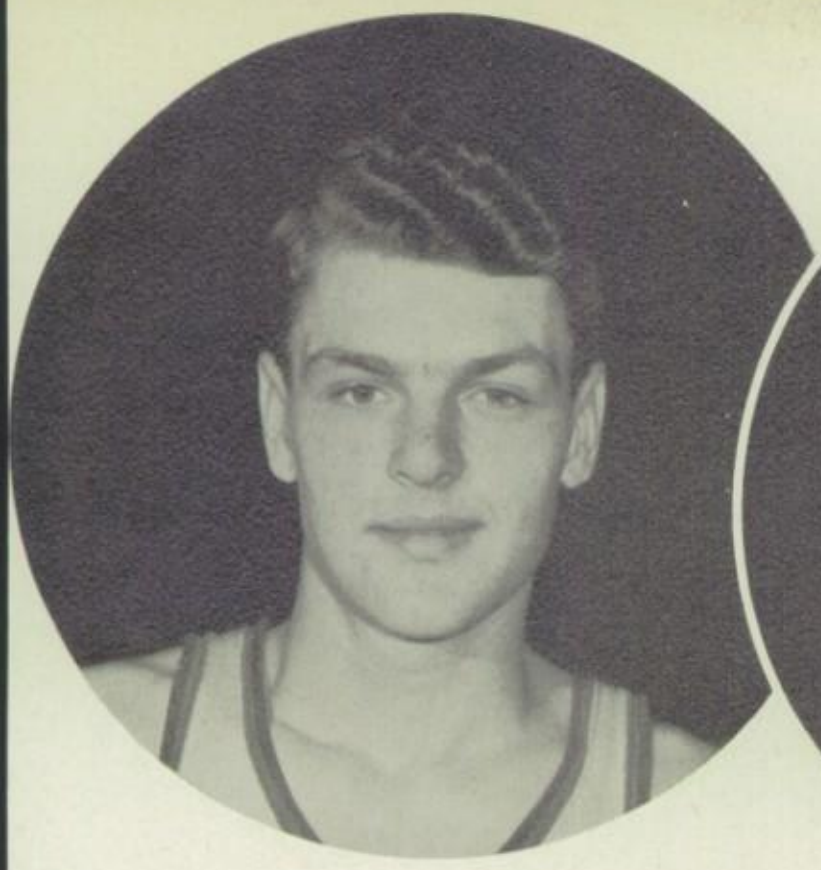
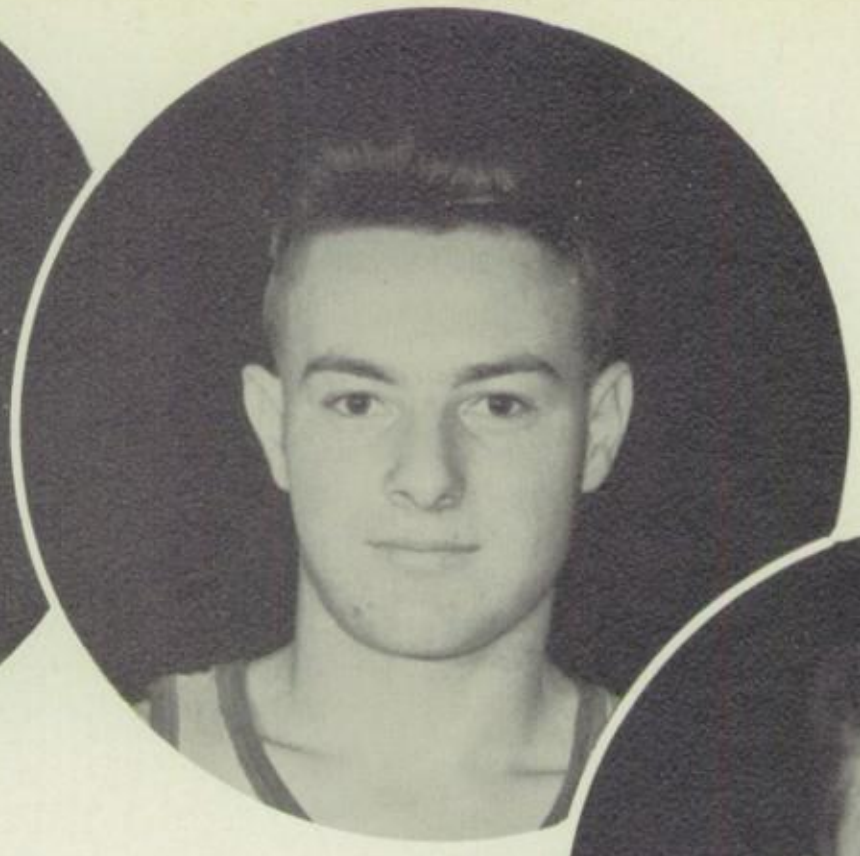
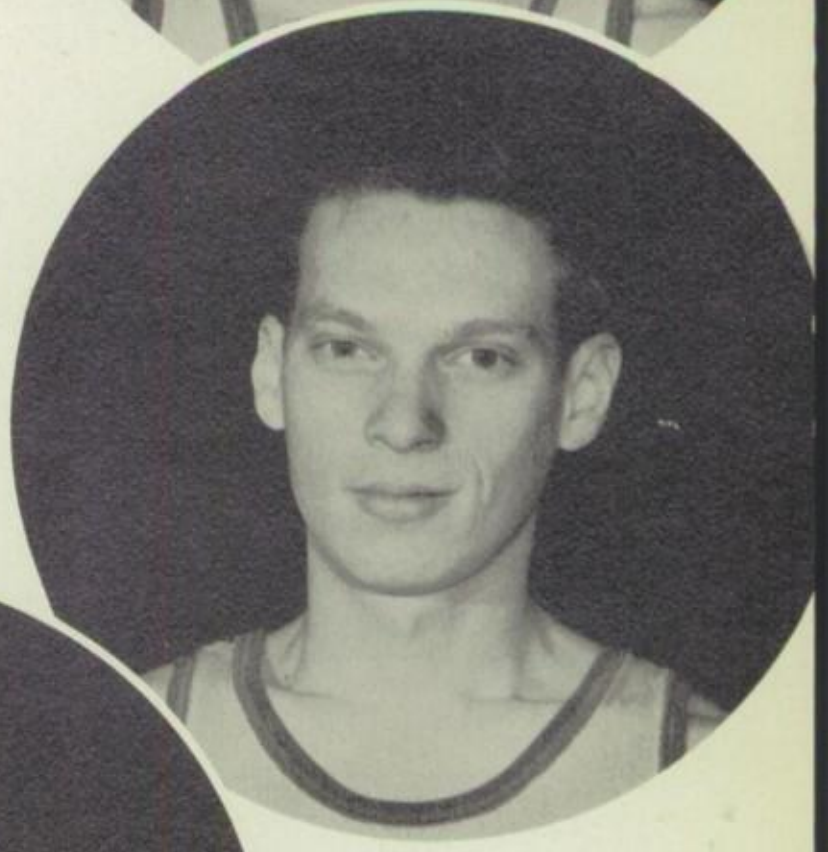




County Tourney

Madison	35	Washington Clay	52
Madison	44	Bremen	54
Madison	42	Wakarusa	41
Madison	46	Jamestown	51
Madison	56	Bourbon	46
Madison	61	Woodrow Wilson	34

Sectional Tourney



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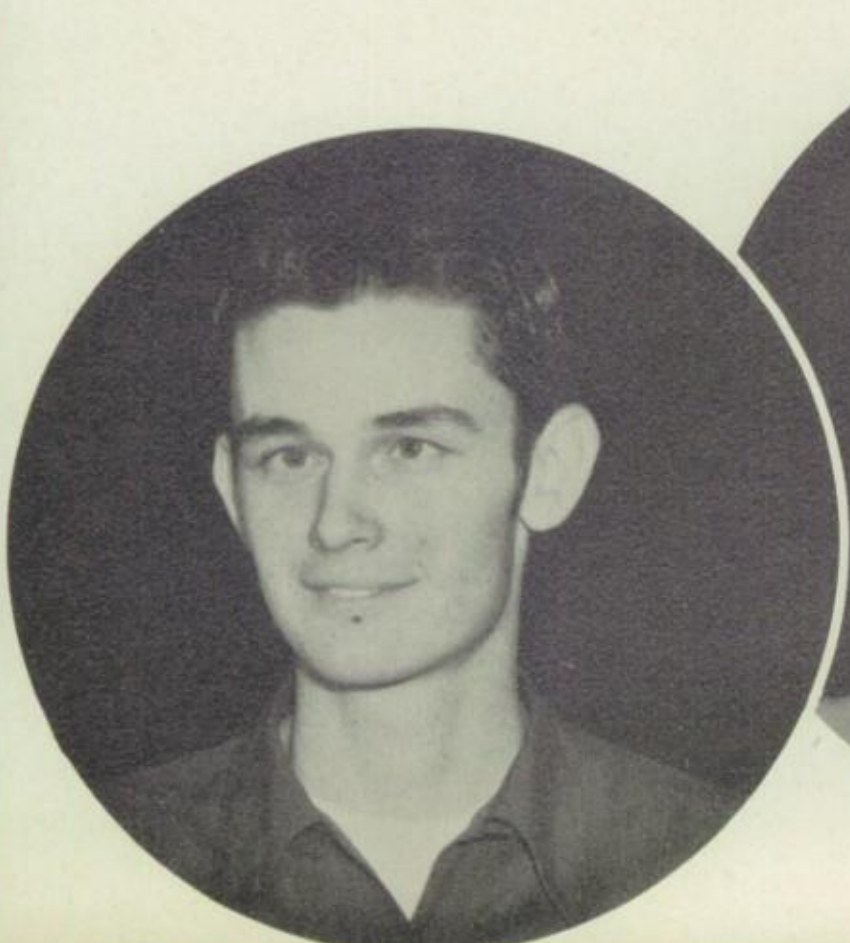

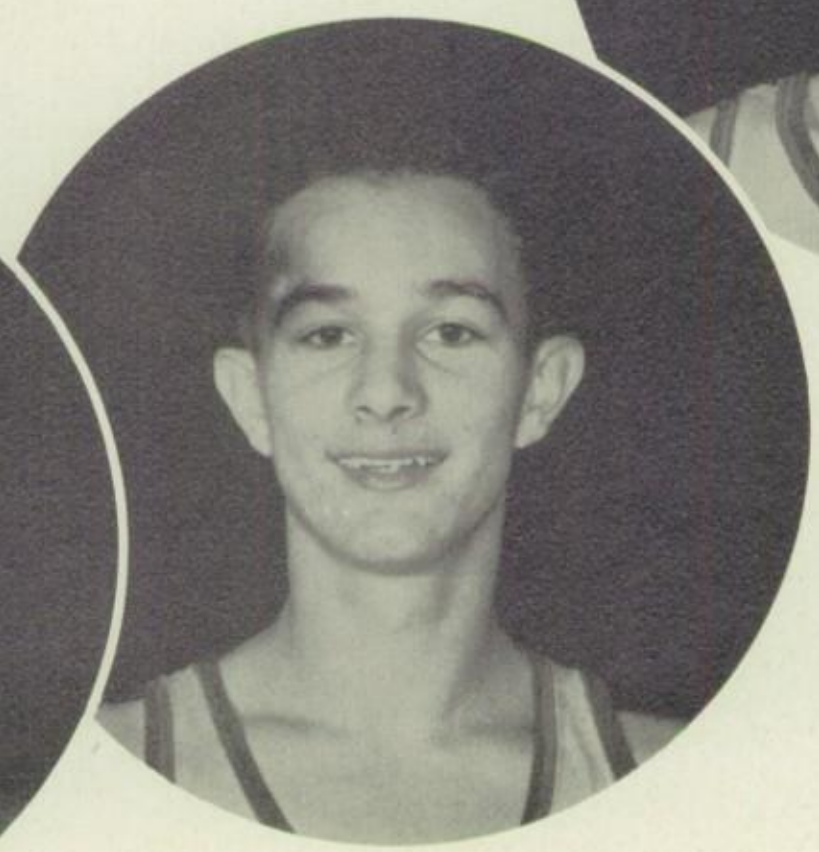

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COMPANY

First Team

Madison	33	North Liberty	12
Madison	38	New Carlisle	19
Madison	18	Lakeville	19
Madison	24	Washington Clay	28
Madison	17	Washington S. B.	22
Madison	32	Bremen	26
Madison	22	Wakarusa	18
Madison	26	Nappanee	36
Madison	36	North Liberty	17
Madison	27	Lakeville	24
Madison	26	Bourbon	12
Madison	12	Nappanee	20
Madison	27	Greene	19
Madison	37	Walkerton	19
Madison	21	Washington Clay	29
Madison	27	Bremen	23
Madison	35	Wakarusa	20
Madison	33	Jamestown	38
Madison	26	Bourbon	31

FIRST ROW: JOE WAGNER, WAYNE BEEHLER, JACK SCHMELTZ, TED JAMES. SECOND ROW: EUGENE SCHUTZ, DEVON KOBOLD, GEORGE ENGLEHARDT, ROLAND KLEIN, DUANE LAIDIG, CHUCK FOX AND MR. MARKER.

FIRST ROW: HAROLD ZELTWANGER, ARTHUR FEHR, DALE HESCH, DICK ERMETTI AND DWIGHT LAIDIG. SECOND ROW: JAMES SCHMELTZ, DON SCHLARB, JACK TROXLE, MARVIN PITTMAN, JAMES MASON, ROBERT BARDEN. THIRD ROW: CHUCK HESCH, ROBERT SCHMELTZ, WAYNE BUTLER, KENNY STEWART, JAKE HOOVER, DANIEL ROBINSON, CARL BIRK AND MR. HOREIN.

Second Team

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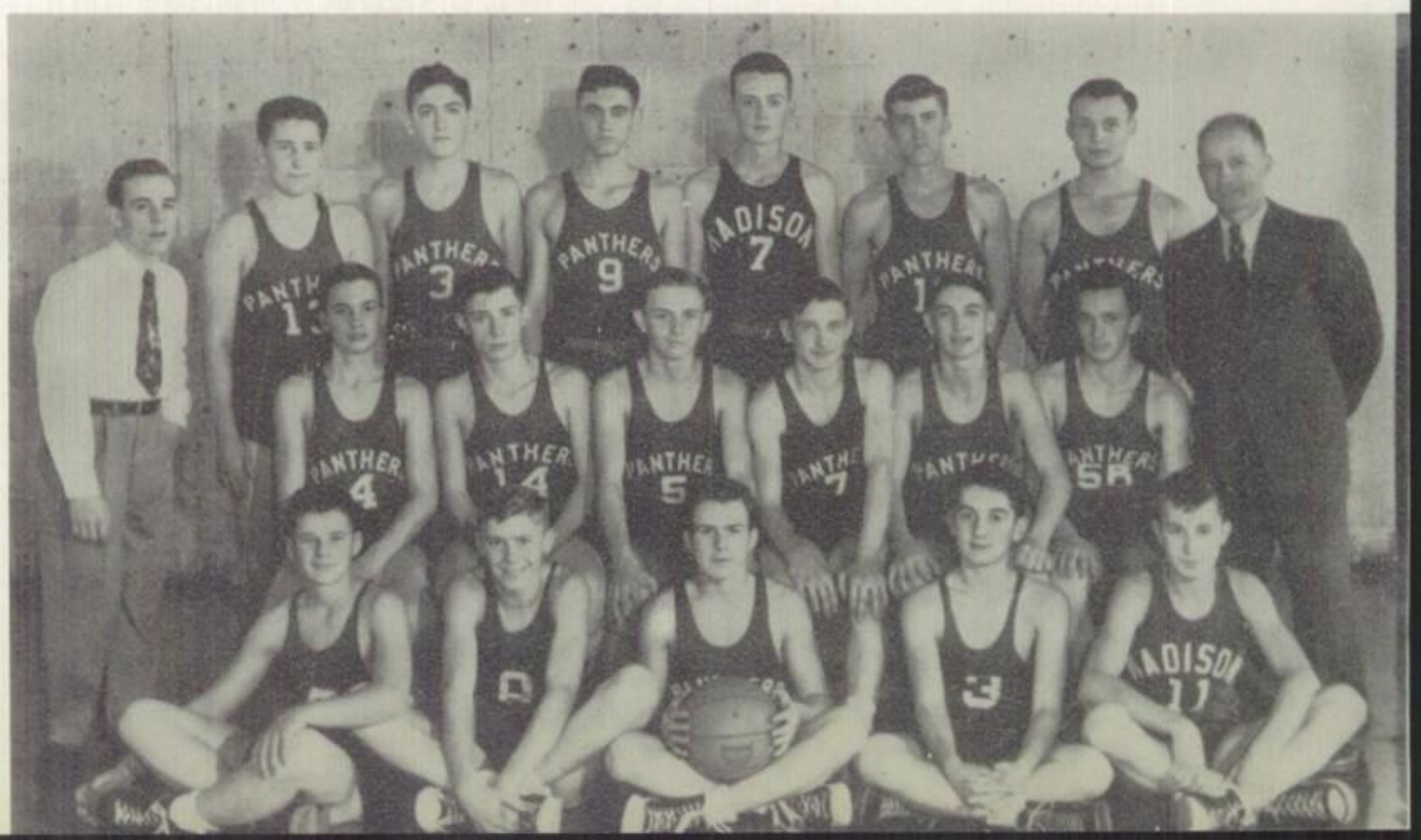

Softball

FIRST ROW: COACH RUDY MARKER, CHUCK FOX, JACK TROXEL, DALE HESCH, JACK SCHMELTZ, TED JAMES AND ROLAND KLEIN. SECOND ROW: JOE WAGNER, DUANE LAIDIG, GEORGE ENGLEHARDT, DANIEL ROBINSON, DON SCHLARB, JOHN FEHR AND RICHARD BRICKER.

SCHEDULE

North Liberty	1	Madison	13
New Carlisle	2	Madison	6
Walkerton	2	Madison	9
Lakeville	3	Madison	8
Washington Clay	5	Madison	6
Greene	5	Madison	12

FIRST ROW: CHUCK FOX, JACK SCHMELTZ, DALE HESCH, CARL BIRK, ROBERT BARDEN AND MR. MARKER. SECOND ROW: GEORGE ENGLEHARDT, DANIEL ROBINSON, JOE WAGNER, ROLAND KLEIN, JOHN FEHR AND RICHARD BRICKER.

Track

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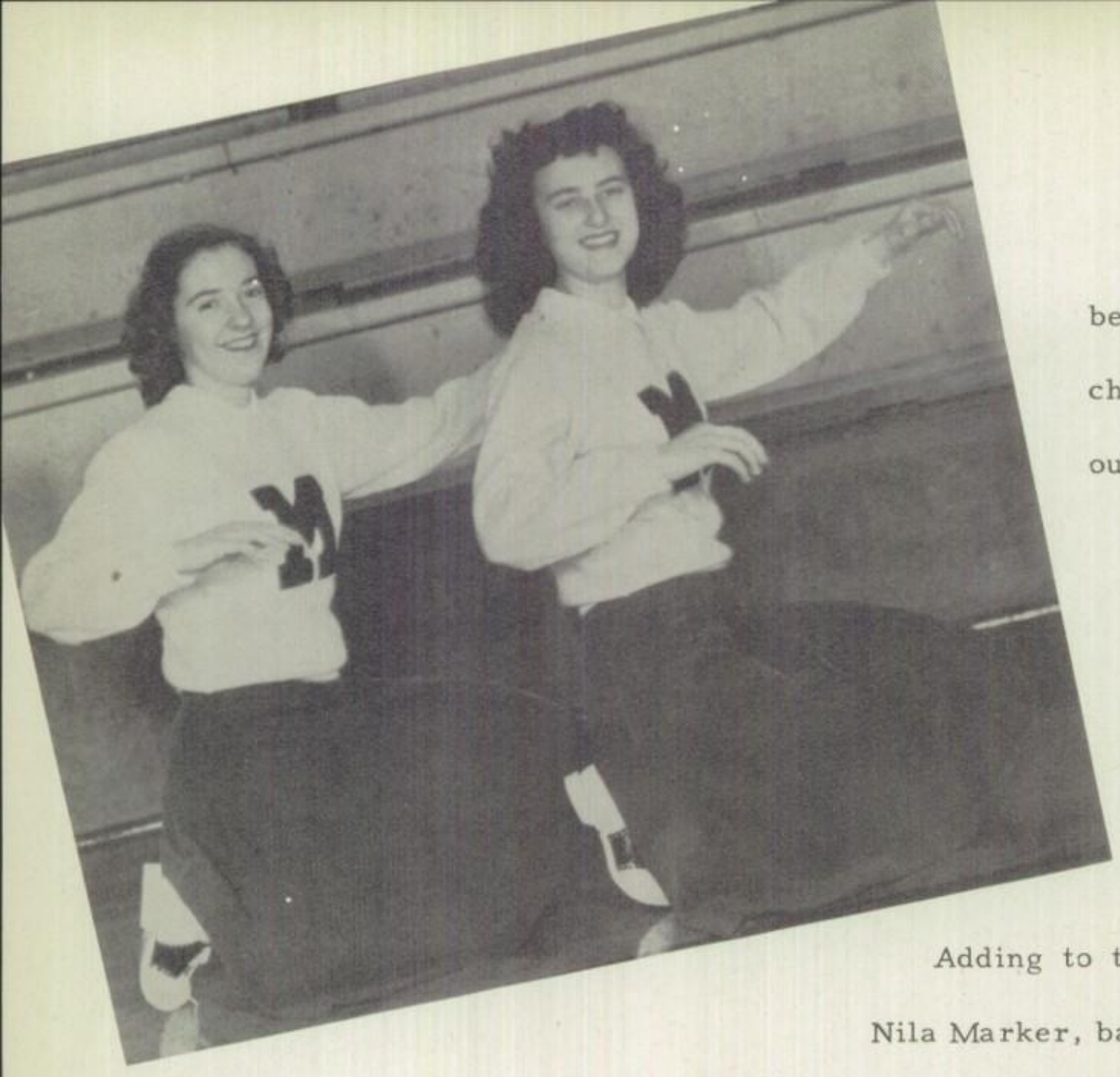

Our yell leaders, Ann Lambert and Shirley Billman, were chosen from a wholesale turnout of yell enthusiasts.

Adding to the sparkle of the band are: Nila Marker, baton twirler; Dorothy Schlarb, drum majorette; and Jane Schurr, baton twirler.

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ACTIVITIES

THE MEMBERS ARE MR. HOREIN, THERON WELDY, ROBERT DESHEPPER, ROBERT SCHMELTZ, ELDON FREDERICKS, DANIEL ROBINSON, WALDO HUTCHINSON, WAYNE BEEHLER, CHARLES HESCH, EDWARD SHEETS, JACK SCHMELTZ, HAROLD ZELTWANGER, GENE MANGES AND JOSEPH GOSTOLA. SEATED IS JANE SCHURR, ACCOMPANIST FOR THE CHORUS.

Boys Chorus

Active again at Madison is the Boys Chorus. Although a new organization, it has proved quite successful taking part in the concerts, operetta, and other programs of the school year. Edgar Horein directs the chorus.

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FIRST ROW: Thelma Smeltzer, Mary Bokhart, Patricia Weaver, Joyce Weigel, Betty Mason, Miriam Geyer, Martha Hepler, Margaret Zahner, Berneice Smeltzer. SECOND ROW: Juliet Ritschard, Nila Marker, Suzanne Loucks, Shirley Weigel, Helen Severns, Betty Pittman, Roma Wynn, Marilyn VonGruenigen, Gloria Andrews, Janet Marker, Doris Schmeltz, Mildred Selner, Ann Lambert, Margaret Gostola, Doris Winger. THIRD ROW: Mrs. Meeks, Shelia Ireland, Jerry Null, Marie Myers, Elaine Fredericks, Pat Robinson, Donna Barkey, Shirley Knox, Gerry Dies, Cecelia Richard, Romaine Frick, Dorothy Schlarb, Rosemary Manges, Cecelia Monhaut, Carol Gall, Betty Gostola. At the piano, Shirley Billman.

Girls Chorus

Under the direction of Mrs. Mary Meeks, the Girls Chorus participated in a series of programs throughout the year. The major event was the operetta, "Oh, Doctor," which was presented in the spring.

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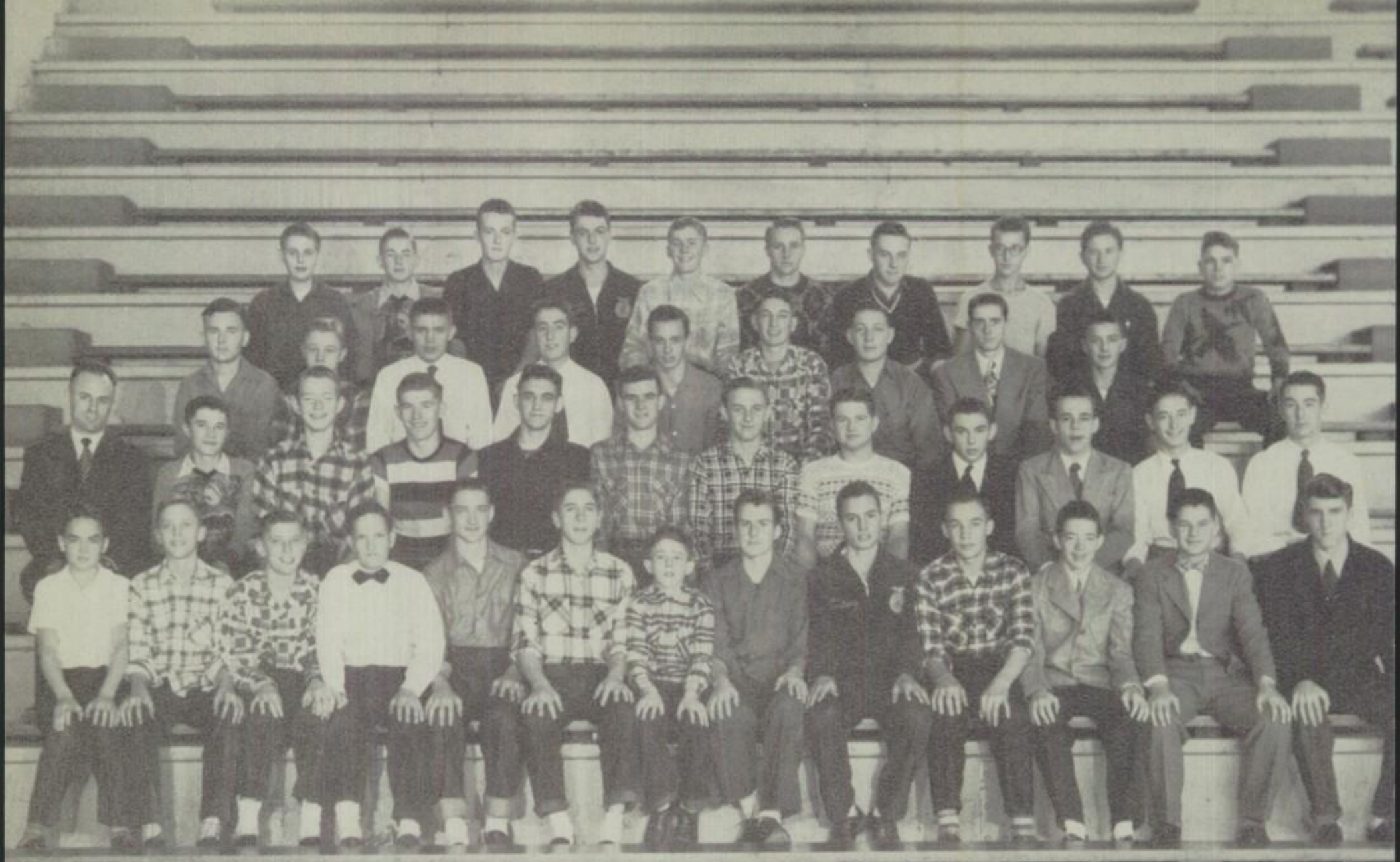

FIRST ROW: Louis Swarm, Jim Lafree, Jim Geyer, Stanley Hoover, Marvin Pittman, James Davidhizer, Charles Battles, Dale Sesch, Jim Schmeltz, Donald Conrad, Eddie Sheets, Harold Zeltlanger, Daniel Robinson. SECOND ROW: Mr. Kintzel, Stanley Leatherman, Dick Getz, Carl Veevaete, Kenny Stewart, George Engelhardt, Jack Troxel, James Meyers, Eldon Fredricks, Charles Hesch, Gene Manges, Theron Weldy. THIRD ROW: Billy Schutz, Lee Saltsgiver, Jack Schmeltz, Wayne Beehler, Robert Barden, James Mason, Lester Moser, Robert DeShepper, James Bope. FOURTH ROW: Jim Mochel, James Rhoade, Maynard Hoover, Roland Klein, Arthur Fehr, John Fehr, Ted James, Dwight Laidig, Dale Mochel, David Pittman.

F.F.A.

Development of agricultural leader-ship, co-operation, and citizenship is the aim of the F. F. A. Club. Officers for the school year of 1949-1950 for the Madison Township Chapter of Future Farmers of America were; Roland Klein, president; Wayne Beehler, vice-president; James Schmeltz, secretary; George Engelhardt, treasurer; Eldon Fredericks, reporter; and Daniel Robinson, watchdog.

Sponsored by FARMERS STATE BANK, Wyatt, Member of Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

FIRST ROW: Shirley Knox, Bonnie Christman, Joan Hesch, Gloria Andrews, Mary Bokhart. SECOND ROW: Doris Anthony, Mardell Anthony, Donna Hill, Betty Gostola, Ann Birk, Shirley Birk, Ruth Hill, Augusta Bokhart, Nada Kulczar, Margaret Gostola, Doris Winger, Barbara Bope, Mildred Selner, Esther Conrad. THIRD ROW: Martha Adams, Arlene Geyer, Roma Wyman, Cecilia Monhaut, Nancy Stuber, Doris Berkey, Mary Alice Coddens, Patricia Abbiehl, Wilda Swarm, Carol Shirk, Naomi Miles, Betty Barden, Evelyn Veevaete, Gertrude Beehler, Betty Mason, Carol Gall, Mrs. Ruth Robinson.

F.H.A.

Newly organized this year was the Future Homemakers of America Club. Under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Robinson, the F. H. A. 's purpose is to promote the 4-H work and make better homemakers at home and in social life.

Sponsored by WAKARUSA BAKERY, Wakarusa.

FIRST ROW: Mrs. Crutchfield, Ruth Hill, Augusta Bokhart, Mildred Selner, Pat Robinson, Romaine Frick, Shirley Birk, Donna Hill, Helen Severns, Arlene Geyer, Nila Marker. SECOND ROW: Genevieve Boocher, Barbara Bope, Carol Gall, Annette Richard, Nada Kulazar, Martha Hepler, Miriam Geyer, Mary Alice Coddens, Doris Berkey, Suzanne Loucks, Betty Mason. THIRD ROW: Lois Klein, Mary Bokhart, Bonnie Christman, Joan Hesch, Esther Conrad, Betty Gostola, Margaret Gostola, Nancy McGowen, Gloria Andrews, Shirley Knox, Doris Winger, Marlene Sloss, Elsie Stewart. FOURTH ROW: Lena Holley, Nancy Marker, Eleanor Mikel, Jane Schurr, Elaine Fredericks, Shirley Billman, Marilyn VonGruenigen, Doris Schmeltz, Joyce Weigel.

G.A.A.

Girls Athletic Association is open to all girls in high school. The club has been very active under the guidance of a new sponsor, Mrs. Barbara Crutchfield. Teams for soft-ball, volleyball and basketball were organized. During the year games were played between teams within the school as well as with other schools.

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PICTURED ABOVE ARE THE MEMBERS OF THE STAFF WHICH INCLUDES: ARLENE GEYER, EDITOR; PHYLLIS YOUNG, ASSISTANT EDITOR; DELORES CONRAD, ART EDITOR; MARDELL ANTHONY, SOCIETY EDITOR; NANCY STUBER AND SHELIA IRELAND, ASSISTANT SOCIETY EDITORS; ROLAND KLEIN, SPORTS EDITOR; DORIS ANTHONY AND TED JAMES, ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITORS; BETTY GOSTOLA, FEATURE EDITOR; ESTHER FRICK, EXCHANGE EDITOR; AND NORMA REIDENBACH AND ROMA WYMAN, TYPISTS; MISS PEKARSKI, SPONSOR.

Spotlight

The school paper known as the "Spotlight" is published every three weeks by the journalism class.

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Girls 4-H

As last year's program came to a close, the girls 4-H launched into the '49-'50 activities under the guidance of Mrs. Robinson, Each division of the club enjoyed a very successful year.

The 4-H teaches its members to do the best by the study of each project. Each one's heart is touched by tolerance and understanding; their hands become skilled in the art of doing. Through good habits and clean living, their health standards are enviable.

FIRST ROW: Doris Schmeltz, Doris Berkey, Mary Alice Coddens, Linda Marker, Ann Birk, Betty Mason, Wilda Swarm, Betty Gostola. SECOND ROW: Elaine Fredericks, Joyce Weigel, Arlene Geyer, Lois Klein, Betty Barden, Helen Severns, Shirley Weigel, Janet Marker, Nancy Penrod, Dixie Kelley.

4-H Honor Club

Each year Madison is privileged to have in its midst several girls who have won awards in 4-H. Included in the group this year are dress revue honor girls; county, township, and state fair winners; and the county's outstanding girl in 4-H club work.

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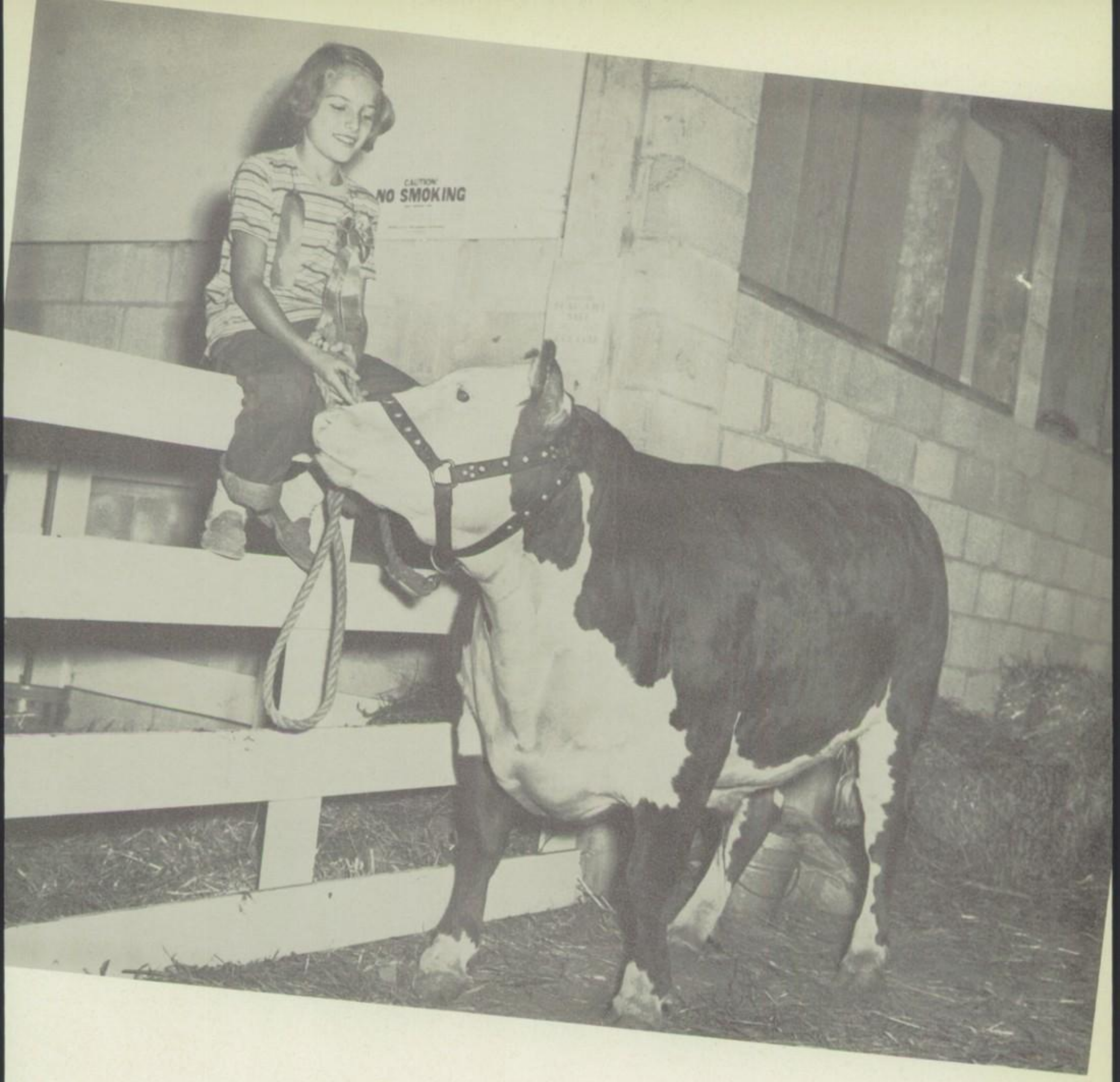
Boys 4-H

The boys 4-H opened the year with the annual election of officers. Wayne Beehler was chosen president, and Ted James assisted him as vice-president, Betty Gostola took the position of secretary, and Duane Laidig handled the finances.

Under the direction of Mr. Kintzel, the 4-H club proved to be an asset to Madison Township since many students received high honors at the county 4-H fair. This has been a general trend over the years.



Linda Marker and Grand Champion Steer

Linda proudly shows her steer that took the prize of prizes, the coveted grand championship at the annual St. Joseph County Fair.

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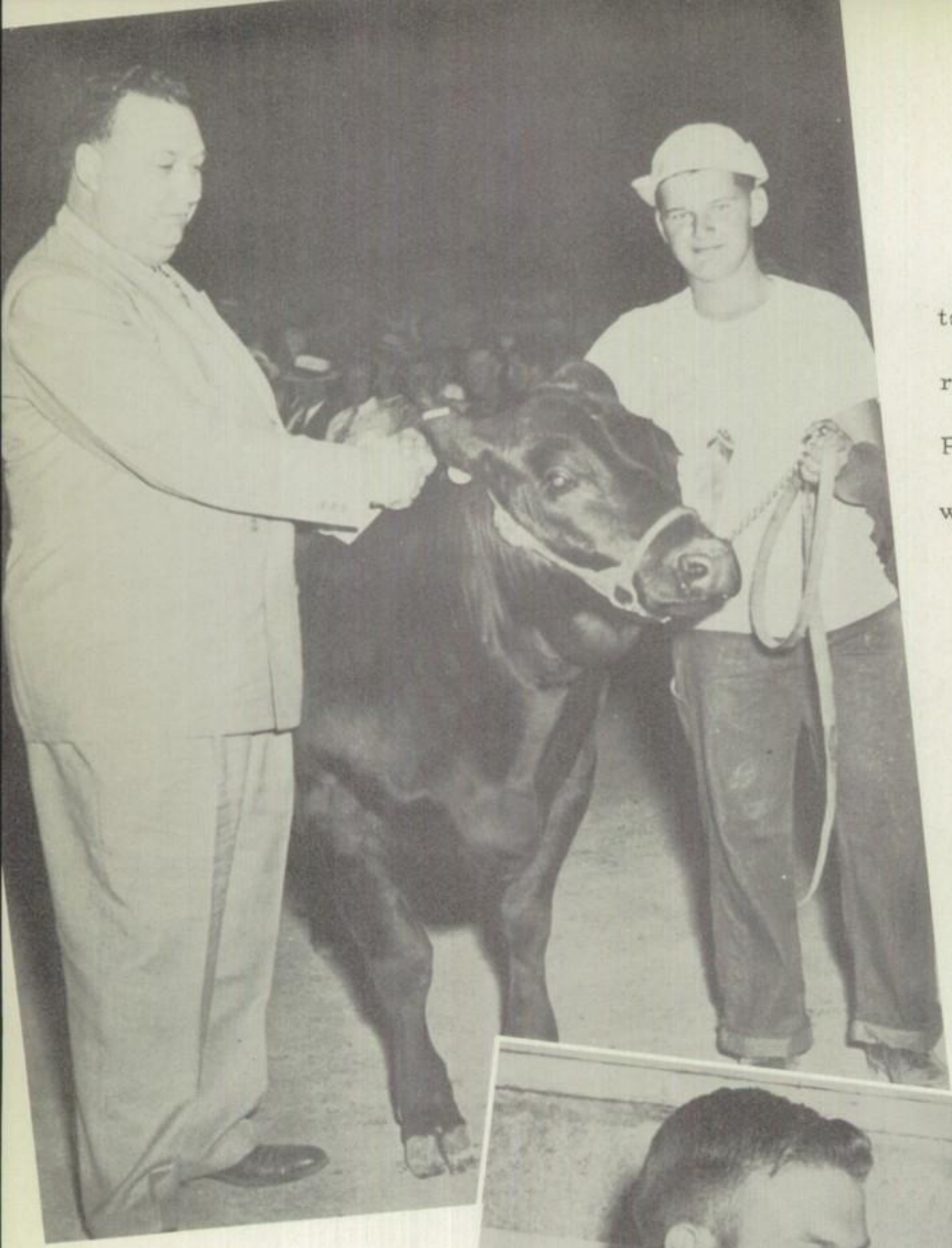


Harold Zeltwanger's steer took honors also by winning the reserve championship ribbon. Pictured is Charles E. McCann, who bought the Angus steer.

John Smith and Betty Gostola shake hands after receiving the honor of being the outstanding boy and girl in 4-H work in this county.

Hi-Y

FIRST ROW: TED JAMES, GEORGE ENGLEHARDT, EUGENE SCHUTZ, MR. CRUTCHFIELD, DUANE LAIDIG, JOE WAGNER, WILBUR CHRISTMAN. SECOND ROW: DAN ROBINSON, RICHARD GETZ, JACK TROXEL, WAYNE BEEHLER, JACK SCHMELTZ, DALE HESCH, JIM SCHMELTZ, LLOYD ANDREWS. THIRD ROW: CLARENCE STUBER, JOE GOSTOLA, BOB SCHMELTZ, ELDON FREDERICKS, CHUCK HESCH, ROBERT DE SHEPPER. FOURTH ROW: CARL VEEVAETE, CHUCK FOX, DEVON KOBOLD, ROLAND KLEIN.

At 8:35 every other Friday morning during school, you would probably meet some energetic, sturdy high school lads going to their Hi-Y meetings.

This organization follows a program of general improvement, physically and mentally. The purpose of the organization is: "To create, maintain, and extend throughout the school and community high standards of Christian character."

The officers for the year are as follows: Duane Laidig, president; George Englehardt, vice-president; Joe Wanger, secretary; Ted James, treasurer; Wilbur Christman, sergeant-at-arms; and Eugene Schutz, chaplain. The faculty advisor is Mr. Crutchfield.

Some of the highlights of the year were the "Heart Mist Ball" (in co-operation with the Y-Teens), buying a $5 charity bond and having a swimming party at the Y M C A.

Y-Teens

FIRST ROW: Wilda Swarm, Augusta Bokhart, Shirley Birk, Mary Alice Coddens, Mildred Selner. SECOND ROW: Helen Severns, Romaine Frick, Wanda Stuber, Mary Newhouse, Elsie Stuart, Eleanore Mikel, Marlene Sloss, Elizabeth Wagner, Mary Kobold. THIRD ROW: Juliet Ritchard, Pat Robinson, Margaret Zahner, Betty Barden, Pat Weaver, Joan Truex, Dorothy Schlemmer, Naomi Miles, Carol Sherk. FOURTH ROW: Marilyn Von Gruenigen, Dorothy Schlarb, Anna Getha, Gerry Dies, Phyllis Young, Roma Wyman, Cecelia Monhaut, Janet Marker, Shirley Weigel, Betty Pittman. FIFTH ROW: Rosemary Manges, Donna Barkey, Marie Meyers, Shelia Ireland, Esther Frick, Norma Reidenbach, Delores Conrad, Doris Anthony, Mardell Anthony. SIXTH ROW: Pat Abbiehl, Cecelia Richard, Ann Lambert, Jerry Null, Dorothy Woods, Evelyn Veevaete, Lois Klein, Genevieve Boocher, Mrs. Haslanger.

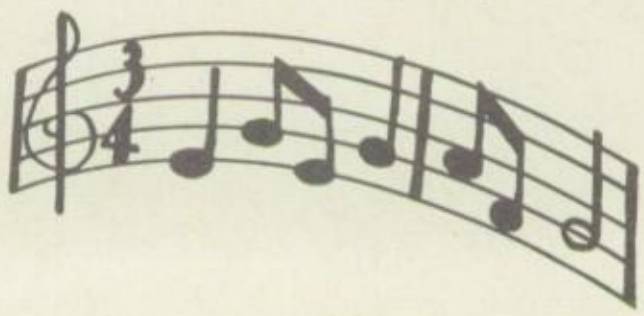
The Y-Teens had a very successful as well as active year. Girls from other Y-Teen groups were entertained, and their mothers were honored at a tea May 5. On February 11 the annual formal dance, "Heart Mist Ball" was held in conjunction with the Hi-Y. The club made and sent favors to Hallowin and at Christmas time they adopted two children and sent them presents.

Officers of the organization are: Cecelia Monhaut, president; Donna Barkey, vice-president; Cecelia Richard, secretary; Romaine Frick, treasurer.

Band

Activity was the keynote of the Madison Band this year. The band held a fall and spring concert, entertained at plays, gave a concert in Wakarusa in the fall, and of course, provided music at the ball games.

The marching band, led by Dorothy Schlarb, drum majorette, and Marilyn Priest, Jane Schurr, and Nila Marker, baton twirlers, always put on a big show between the halves of the first-team games. Besides forming the letter for each school, other formations were made such as a bicycle, a soldier, and a horseshoe. We are proud to have such a fine organization in our school. For this we give much credit to the director, Mr. Edgar Horein.

Officers for the band for 1950 are: Wayne Beehler, president; Doris Schmeltz, vice-president; Romaine Frick, secretary; Jack Schmeltz treasurer.

Band Personnel

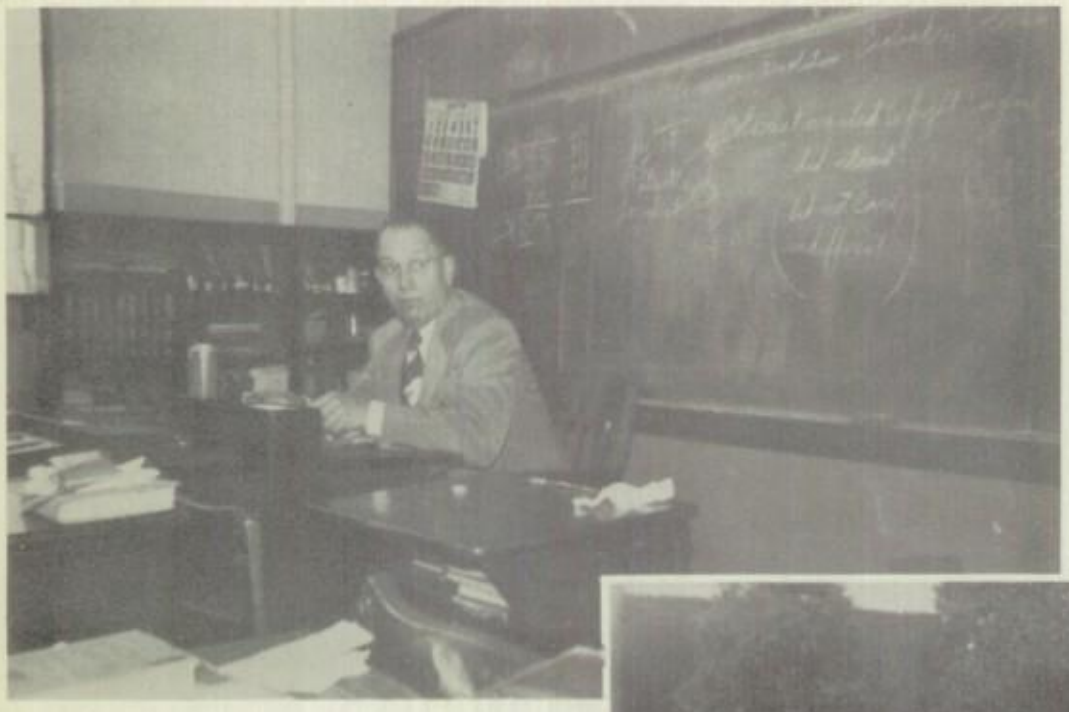
PERCUSSION: Shirley Billman, Suzanne Loucks, Stanley Hoover, Robert Schmeltz, James Pittman. CLARINETS: Shirley Birk, Edward Sheets, Doris Winger, Doris Birkey, Doris Schmeltz, Janet Marker, Patricia Abbiehl, Gloria Andrews, Betty Mason, Elaine Fredericks, Shirley Weigel, Lois Klein, Shirley Knox, Jimmie Geyer, Evelyn Veevaete, Joan Hesch, Delores Conrad. CORONETS AND TRUMPETS: Jack Schmeltz, Wilda Swarm, Albert Schutz, Eldon Fredericks, James Schmeltz, Arthur Fehr, James Mochel, Charles Hesch. ALTO CLARINET: Sandra Butge. FLUTE: Nila Marker. MELLOPHONE AND FRENCH HORNS: Dale Mochel, Richard Bricker, Margaret Gostola, Marlene Fredericks, Richard Geyer. BASS HORNS: Robert DeShepper, Wayne Beehler. SAXOPHONES: Romaine Frick, Dorothy Schlarb, Jane Schurr, Annette Richards, Arlene Geyer. TENOR SAXOPHONE: Mildred Selner. TROMBONES: James Davidhizar, Theron Weldy, Gene Manges, Marvin Pittman, Joseph Gostola, Waldo Hutchinson. BARITONES: Genevieve Boocher, Joyce Weigel, Lois Manges.

Madisonian

FIRST ROW: (SEATED) DONNA BARKEY, CO-EDITOR; CECELIA MONHAUT, EDITOR; DELORES CONRAD, ART; CECELIA RICHARD, CLASSES; ANN LAMBERT, ACTIVITIES. SECOND ROW: ROMAINE FRICK, FEATURE; HELEN SEVERNS, SALES; ARLENE GEYER, FEATURE; MARTHA ADAMS, CLASSES; DONNA HILL, ACTIVITIES; ROMA WYMAN, SALES; MISS PEKARSKI, ADVISOR. THIRD ROW: ROLAND KLEIN, BUSINESS MANAGER; JOSEPH WAGNER, ADVERTISING; GEORGE ENGELHARDT, SPORTS; DANIEL ROBINSON, ART; JOHN FEHR, SPORTS; AND WAYNE BEEHLER, ADVERTISING.

Pictured above are the energetic students who have spent many long and weary hours preparing the Madisonian. Each year the annual staff tries to produce a better yearbook; and this year again seniors and juniors of the staff were anxious to have the "best ever".

Ins and Outs at Madison



Surprise! Mr. Birk is caught off guard.

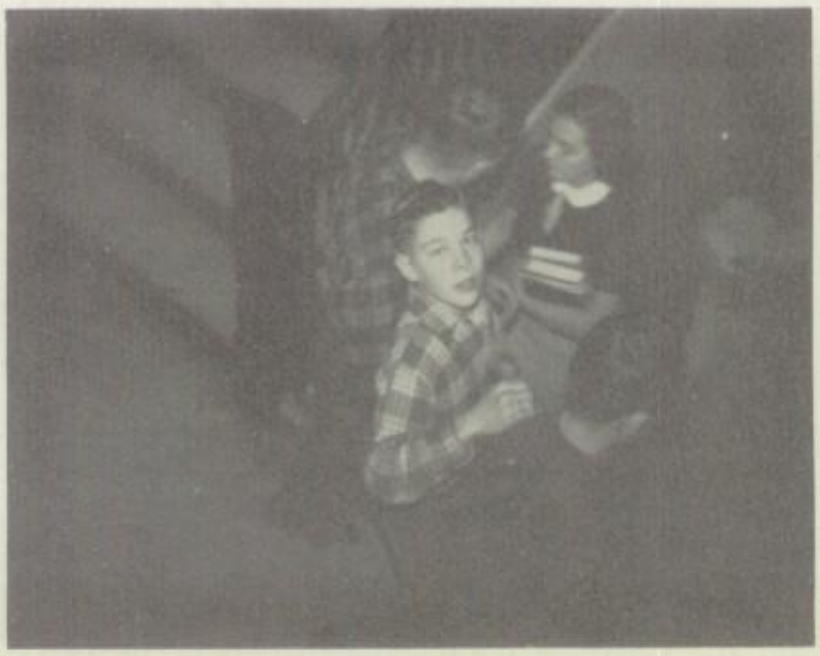
Nancy, Cecelia, Roma--sophisticated seniors.

The hub of activity--Madison.

Jaunty juniors

DONNA, MARIE, CECELIA, ROSEMARY, JULIET, MARILYN.

Scurrying to classes???



In the huddle

Brotherly advice

They're off!

Bared feet and faces!

Champ's sister

Rarin' to go

Well, let's see.

Prom--1949

When We Were Young and Gay!

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